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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Drastic Act

RUSSIA's action in breaking off diplomatic relations with Israel is not likely to result in a shooting war, but clearly it will strain still further relations between the Soviet Union and the free world. The seriousness of the bomb outrage in Tel-Aviv which prompted the Russian decision need not be minimized, yet the precipitate manner in which the Kremlin has taken the extreme step of severing relations with Israel suggests the opportunity was being awaited. It is to be noted, also, that the Russian Radio attached to its protest the allegation that the bomb incident was "preceded by an unabridged campaign of slander against the Soviet Union with the participation of official personages in Israel who had openly incited to hostile activities against the USSR and the USSR diplomatic Legation in Israel." This is characteristic propaganda calumny, but that it is used as a basis for severing relations with a friendly State, without any previous official charge or protest being lodged through the customary diplomatic channels, introduces an entirely new element in international disputes.

THE meaning of the Soviet action is not clear, and its outcome has to be awaited. One inevitable effect will be to make it extremely difficult for Jews to escape from behind the Iron Curtain, and it may well be the signal for a wholesale pogrom. Significantly the Warsaw Radio has repeated the Moscow allegation of official connivance in the bomb incident at the Tel-Aviv Legation, suggesting that Communist-controlled Poland is ready to follow any Soviet lead in an anti-Semitic campaign. Beyond the new danger which confronts Jews in Russia and the satellite countries in consequence of the Kremlin's decision to break off relations with Israel, there remains the effect which the action is likely to have on US-Soviet relations. If it is Russia's intention to increase the tension already existing between herself and America she could hardly have chosen a more effective way of achieving it. And if the Russians seriously entertained hopes of an Eisenhower-Stalin meeting they might as well write them off completely in view of the Kremlin's latest cavalier action.

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Thousands Mobilised To Deal With New Flood Threats

London, Feb. 12.

Britain, Holland and Belgium mobilised tens of thousands of troops and volunteers on Thursday to face grave threats of new floods.

As the three-nation alert began with the ominous mounting of the season's highest tide, violent blizzards continued to raise havoc in Northern and Central England, Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Germany. The blizzards, worst in years, are in their fifth straight day.

Scores of villages in England, Sweden and Denmark are isolated by mountainous drifts and sea and land transportation is paralysed over wide areas.

Along the Dutch, Belgian and English East Coast, devastated by the disastrous floods of 12 days ago, new "zero hour" is nearing with the rising tides. The tides will hit their high peaks on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, swept along by the pull of the moon.

Strong to gale winds now buffet the English East Coast and full gales at the peak of the high tides could send great new floods crashing through sea defences weakened by the last floods.

Nearly 2,000 people died in the great storms and floods which swept the British Isles, Holland and Belgium from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2.

Scores of breaches remain in sea and river banks in England and Holland despite a day-and-night race against time by armies of soldier and civilian construction workers.

Belgium called a state of emergency all along its North sea coast and Britain's Royal Air Force organised a 20-plane airlift to rush 3,000,000 sandbags from the continent to bolster England's East Coast defences. Another 1,500,000 sandbags will be flown to England by the British European Airways from as far away as Italy. A number of American Air Force planes also have joined the airlift, it was reported.

France, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Norway, West Germany and Portugal offered the sandbags in response to urgent appeals from Britain. Italy and Portugal offered their own planes to help in the airlift and Belgium is shipping 500,000 sandbags by sea. — Associated Press.

Princess Margaret Better

London, Feb. 12.

Princess Margaret, who has been suffering from a gastric chill, was up and about on Thursday, Buckingham Palace announced.

Her condition is satisfactory, but the Princess still is confined to her apartments, the Palace added. — Associated Press.

Good Progress Being Made To Stamp Out Mau Mau Terrorism

London, Feb. 12.

The fanatical Mau Mau movement in Kenya is being brought "increasingly under control," the British Colonial Secretary Mr. Oliver Lyttelton said today.

"The instrument with which to deal with it has been largely perfected," Mr. Lyttelton said. "It always takes time. We should begin to see definite results from it before long."

Mr. Lyttelton told a meeting of the Royal Empire Society in London that he could make no firm estimate, however, of how long it would take to suppress the movement completely.

"If you compare the situation in Malaya with that in Kenya, you will see the kind of progress which is possible once the machine has been made perfect and once it starts hunting down the murderers and terrorists," he added.

COSTLY FIGHT

He said the fight had already cost Kenya £750,000 and estimated that a further £135,000 a month would be needed, coupled with £900,000 in the next two years for police sub-stations.

"One of the problems with which we are confronted in the colony is the feeling of insecurity in the minds of European farmers about both squatters and hired labour on their farms," he said.

"Some of the murders have been committed by the actual labour on the farm or in some cases have been condoned by the farm labour," Mr. Lyttelton went on.

"Unless we can restore law and order fairly quickly and give the European farmer a sense of security, then it is clear they will not be prepared to run the risks of employing Kikuyu, and great damage will be done to the farming economy."

The origins of the Mau Mau movement were not primarily economic, Mr. Lyttelton said. "It is primarily a revolutionary movement, anti-Christian and designed to run the Europeans out of the country."

"Mau Mau has to be stamped out," — Associated Press.

GOVERNOR'S DIRECTIVE

London, Feb. 12.

The Governor of Kenya, Sir Evelyn Baring, has issued a directive to the Army and Police in Kenya condemning the use of inhuman methods in the

Postbox Blown Up By Bomb

Edinburgh, Feb. 12.

A bright new red-painted postbox—the only one in Scotland bearing the Royal Cypher "EHR"—was blown up by a bomb here tonight.

The explosion, heard more than half a mile away, blew the front of the box thirty yards across a main street. All that remained of it was the jagged metal base.

It was the third attempt to blow up the box since it was installed on November 22 last.

The first two attempts were attributed to Scottish Nationalists who claim that Queen Elizabeth, is the "First" of Scotland since her sixteenth century namesake ruled only England. — Reuter.

Man Killed In Explosion

London, Feb. 12.

One man was killed and two injured in an explosion followed by a fire at Sheerness Naval Base, the Admiralty announced tonight. The explosion occurred in an underground pumping station. — France-Press.

STORMY INTERLUDE AT TRIAL

Kapenguria, Feb. 13.

Mr. Anthony Somerhough, Deputy Public Prosecutor, said yesterday he would consider referring remarks made by British Counsel D. N. Pritt to the head of the Kenya Bar.

He made this statement after the bitterest verbal duel between him and Mr. Pritt who is defending Jomo Kenyatta in the three-month-old Mau Mau trial here.

Magistrate Ransley Thacker granted Mr. Somerhough's request for an adjournment of the trial until this morning.

Yesterday's clash between the two counsel occurred when Mr. Somerhough suddenly threw a book on the table in front of him and accused Mr. Pritt of remarking audibly to another Defence lawyer: "Let him go on telling lies."

Mr. Somerhough said he would not stand for that remark, saying it was "intolerable and impossible."

He flatly refused to accept Mr. Pritt's "unsubstantiated" remarks, Mr. Thacker strongly rebuked Mr. Pritt, saying that the situation in the trial was now "very serious." — Reuter.

New Comet Air Service

London, Feb. 12.

A new Comet jetliner service between Britain and Japan, which will cut time taken by present air services on the route by more than half—is to begin on April 3, British Overseas Airways Corporation announced today.

Total time taken by the 500 miles, an hour Comet on the 10,000-mile London-Tokyo journey will be 33 hours 15 minutes. This cuts more than 50 hours off the 88 hours now taken by BOAC's piston-engined Argonaut plane.

The once weekly service in each direction will be increased to twice weekly on April 13. The Comet's route will fly through Rome, Beirut (or Cairo), Bahrain, Karachi, New Delhi, Calcutta, Rangoon, Bangkok, Manila and Okinawa. — Reuter.

'Quake Disaster

Teheran, Feb. 12.

Several hundred people were believed to have been killed in a disastrous earthquake which rocked the Tourout region in Iran, according to reports reaching here tonight. — France-Press.

EDC Not Dead, But Only Sleeping Declares Dulles

Washington, Feb. 12.

The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, said tonight that the Western Allies must "at this very dangerous time" swiftly set up the proposed European defence force or relapse into the weakness that sparked World War II.

Reporting to the nation by radio and television on his European trip with the foreign aid chief, Mr. Harold Stassen, Mr. Dulles concluded that the plan for creating a European defence community was "not dead but only sleeping."

Mr. Dulles said NATO was now a far-flung organisation. "It includes not only countries in this hemisphere but in the North Atlantic and the Mediterranean. But the core of this far-flung structure is the six continental countries of Western Europe which have made the European Defence Community treaty."

"Unless their military and economic strength is to be combined as this treaty contemplates, the whole NATO organisation has a fatal weakness. The European Defence Community is needed to give the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation a stout and dependable heart."

"I do not pretend it is easy to accomplish this. National habits of thought and traditions have grown strong. The countries concerned have often, in recent years, been enemies. They have fought each other and there are proud memories of victories and bitter memories of defeat."

"This means that greatness is needed if unity is to be achieved."

"This quality, however, is not lacking. We say it is, in fact, in the peoples of Europe as they had to face the physical disaster of the recent floods. We also found among the States in Western Europe and so far as we could judge, among the peoples of Western Europe a real determination to take hard political decisions which would bury the evil of the past and fortify the good."

LAND OF PROMISE

"After our friendly talks, we know and gladly report that the political leaders in each of these countries are men of vision and stature. They look not backward but forward. They see the land of promise that lies ahead and they desire to move into it."

"Having spent most of my time in talking about what we hope the European countries will do, I would like to conclude with a mention of what the governments and peoples of Europe expect of us."

"In each of these seven countries we visited we found goodwill and friendliness on the part of the governments and most of the people, but we also found some fear that the United States is not qualified to give the free world the kind of leadership it needs at this critical moment."

"It is conceded that we have material power; but it is questioned whether we have accumulated the wisdom to make the best use of that power."

"They are particularly concerned because they now have to deal with a new Republican administration after having worked for 20 years in war and peace with a Democratic administration. To them, as to many Americans, a Republican administration is a novelty and the unknown always carries a certain amount of fear."

Naguib Going To US

Cairo, Feb. 12.

Premier Mohamed Naguib announced this evening he intends to visit the United States "in the very near future."

He was answering a question in a news conference at his office after signature of the agreement with Britain on the Sudan. Naguib praised the efforts of the American Ambassador to Cairo, Jefferson Caffery, "in bringing closer the two viewpoints" in negotiations between Egypt and Britain which concluded today.

He said: "It is through Ambassador Caffery's good offices that many difficult points were ironed out. These had a direct effect on the successful conclusion of this agreement." — Associated Press.

Death Leap From Burning Building

Munich, Feb. 12.

An ex-Nazi, who killed his village Mayor with a hail of machinegun bullets, then set fire to his own explosives-filled house and leaped in flames from a second-storey window, died in hospital today before he could be questioned about his motives.

But police reported the incident from Bayerisch-Grainau, near the Austrian border, said the man, 31-year-old Martin Jakobi, probably blamed the Mayor for the loss of his job and de-Nazification proceedings which ordered confiscation of half his property.

Jakobi began firing wildly from his house with an automatic machinegun as the Mayor and two other men passed, the police report said.

The others saved their lives by flinging themselves on the ground. His machinegun, together with other weapons and ammunition had apparently been hidden in his house since the end of the war. — Reuter.

Wage Increase

London, Feb. 12.

British miners today won their battle with the British Coal Board for a six-shilling a week pay rise.

The Coal Board, which took over Britain's pits on nationalisation in 1947, agreed to raise the wages of about 400,000 lower paid day-wage men by one shilling a shift—a weekly increase of six shillings.

Previously the men earned on an average . £7 for a five-day week and an extra 30 shillings if they worked on Saturdays. — Reuter.

REPORT DENIED

London, Feb. 12.

A British Foreign Office spokesman here today denied press reports that Britain and Egypt had already reached agreement on the withdrawal of British forces from the Suez Canal zone. — Reuter.

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CHINESE FILM TOPS THE LIST Says SUE DAWSON

The film feast prepared for Chinese New Year offers blatant comedy on one side of the harbour, and enchanting tragedy on the other. While the King's is showing "Road to Bali", the Majestic is running the two-and-a-half hour Chinese film "A Torn Lily", which has been made in Hongkong with Mandarin dialogue and two starlets comparatively new to the Chinese screen.

It is the story from the famous stage play of a thousand years ago; a moving tale of a girl who gives everything she has and can get so that her husband may study for the Grand Examination of the Imperial Court. She is the story of a girl who gives everything she has and can get so that her husband may study for the Grand Examination of the Imperial Court. She is the story of a girl who gives everything she has and can get so that her husband may study for the Grand Examination of the Imperial Court.

Bing, Bob And Ballyhoo

Absolutely crazy—the craziest of all Bing and Bob's "Road" films, and this one is in colour, which livens things up even more.

Peniless, Crosby and Hope hit the "Road to Bali" as deep-sea divers, to retrieve a sunken treasure for Prince Ken Arok (Mervyn Vye), who takes them to the island of Vau where his cousin, Lala McTavish (Ti) is Princess.

Lana Turner warns Bing the whole undertaking is sheer murder, but that doesn't worry Bing. After all, he is not doing the diving. He just sits aboard Prince Arok's luxury yacht with Lana, directing proceedings. However, the giant squid (or whatever it is) that personifies the sea-marine peril, is disinclined to detain the innocuous Hope, who is allowed to surface with the treasure. But at the critical moment, the monster obligingly flips wicked Prince Arok overboard. (Never fear, he reappears later.)

Thenceforward, adventures and perils pile up, each trilling a thousand loose ends. What matters? As long as our heroes and heroine are around—nothing. They suffer shipwreck because of Bing's crooning, and Hope misses the snapping jaws of a crocodile by only—the seat of his pants.

Suddenly there is Humphrey Bogart, pushing his way through the reeds of the lake, straight from "The African Queen". Even his "Oscar" award is there to prove it... (such subtle advertising!)

The jaws of the crocodile are only the first of countless jaws of danger—liger, monster baboons with hideous faces, capture by headhunters, erupting volcanoes and so on.

An Englishman in blind-type shorts appears momentarily from nowhere with a "thanks, old boy", and the programme even includes a marriage—between Crosby and Hope. When at the end it comes to the point of "who gets girl", Hope, the unchosen, resorts to magic he has picked up in the course of his eastern wanderings. He pipes a tune over an empty lobster basket on the sea-shore, and to there is Jane Russell, complete in picture hat, long gloves, high heels and swimwear! But she goes off with Bing as well, while the abandoned Hope, still girl-less, tries to prolong THE END of the picture, so he can have another try. But letters reading "POSITIVELY THE END" black him out, and that is that.

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HOMESIDE PICTORIAL



EIGHT-YEAR-OLD Prince Richard of Gloucester leaves Victoria Station for Broadstairs, Kent, and his first term at school. Behind is his 11-year-old brother, Prince William, who is already a boarder at the school. (Express)



PRINCESS MARGARET and Mr Robin McEwen arriving at the Old Vic to see "The Merchant of Venice." Mr McEwen, the son of Captain "Jock" McEwen, who received a baronetcy in the New Year Honours, was one of a party of five who accompanied the Princess. (Express)



THE ceremony in the Jerusalem Chamber of Westminster Abbey as the Prime Minister makes the appeal for £1,000,000 for maintenance and restoration of the Abbey. Facing Mr Churchill are the Dominion High Commissioners. After he had launched the appeal, the donations of the Royal Family were presented by the senior chorister.



FILM star Diana Dors seen at the premiere of the new John Mills film, "The Long Memory," at the Leicester Square Theatre. The premiere was in aid of the Vanbrugh Theatre Fund. (Express)



MISS Eileen Mahoney dressed as Queen Victoria and Mr James Minnis as Prince Albert were among the guests at the Vic Wells Coronation costume ball held at the Lyceum. The main theme of the ball was kings and queens. (Express)

RIGHT: Mrs Flora MacLeod, who celebrates her 75th birthday this month and is the clan's chieftain, welcomes 18-year-old Alison MacLeod to the annual gathering of the Clan MacLeod, which was held at the Royal Empire Society headquarters, London. (Express)



RUSTY, the London Zoo elephant, shows a workman how to use the shovel as work on enlargement of the Elephants' Quarters at the Zoo starts. "Well, I'll be blowed!" says Herbert Temple, of Edmonton.



MADAME Velebit, 32-year-old wife of Marshal Tito's new Ambassador to the Court of St James, pictured in London with her two sons, Vladimir, 5, and Dusko, nearly 4. The Velebits were formerly stationed in Rome. (Express)

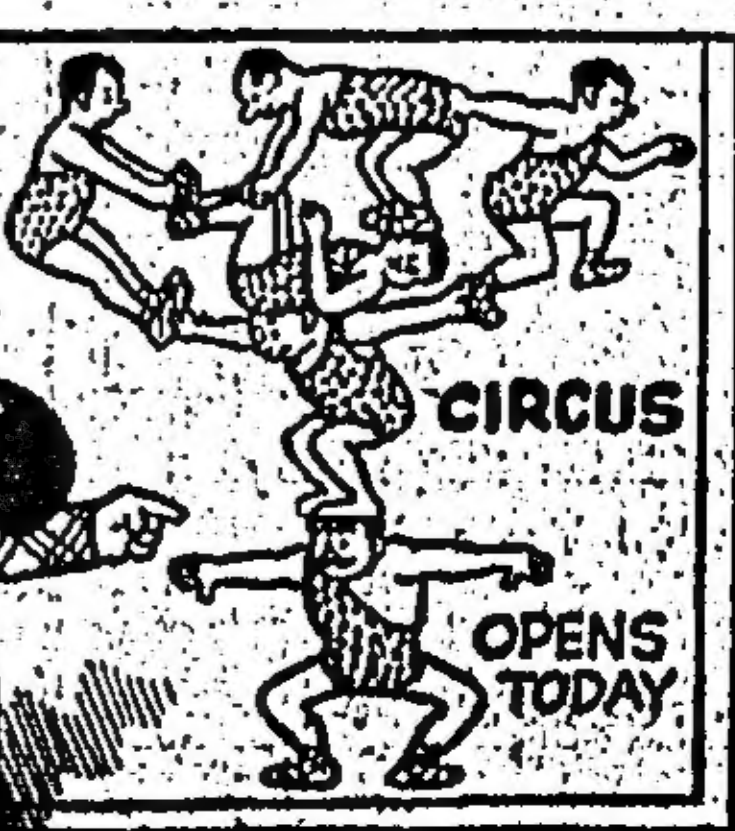


MR Ancurin Bevan (left) is seen talking to the Irish Commissioner, Mr F. H. Boland, at a reception held at India House, London, by the High Commissioner to celebrate the anniversary of the Republic of India. In centre is Mrs Boland. (Express)

NANCY

Weighty Problems

By Ernie Bushmiller





THE Royal Hongkong Yacht Club was a scene of gaiety on Friday of last week when the Ladies' Recreation Club held their annual dance there. Picture above shows the President of the LRC, Mrs D. L. Prophet (third from right), with her party. Some other prominent residents who attended are seen in picture on the right. Reading clockwise from left: Mrs Holmes, Mr M. Heenan, Mrs Ferguson, Mr H. J. Armstrong, Mrs Heenan, Mr D. R. Holmes, Mrs Armstrong and Mr G. P. Ferguson. (Staff Photographer)



THE Victor Ludorum and Victrix Ludorum at the Hongkong University's annual athletic sports last Saturday: Mr D. S. Fraser and Miss Eleanor Smart. (Staff Photographer)

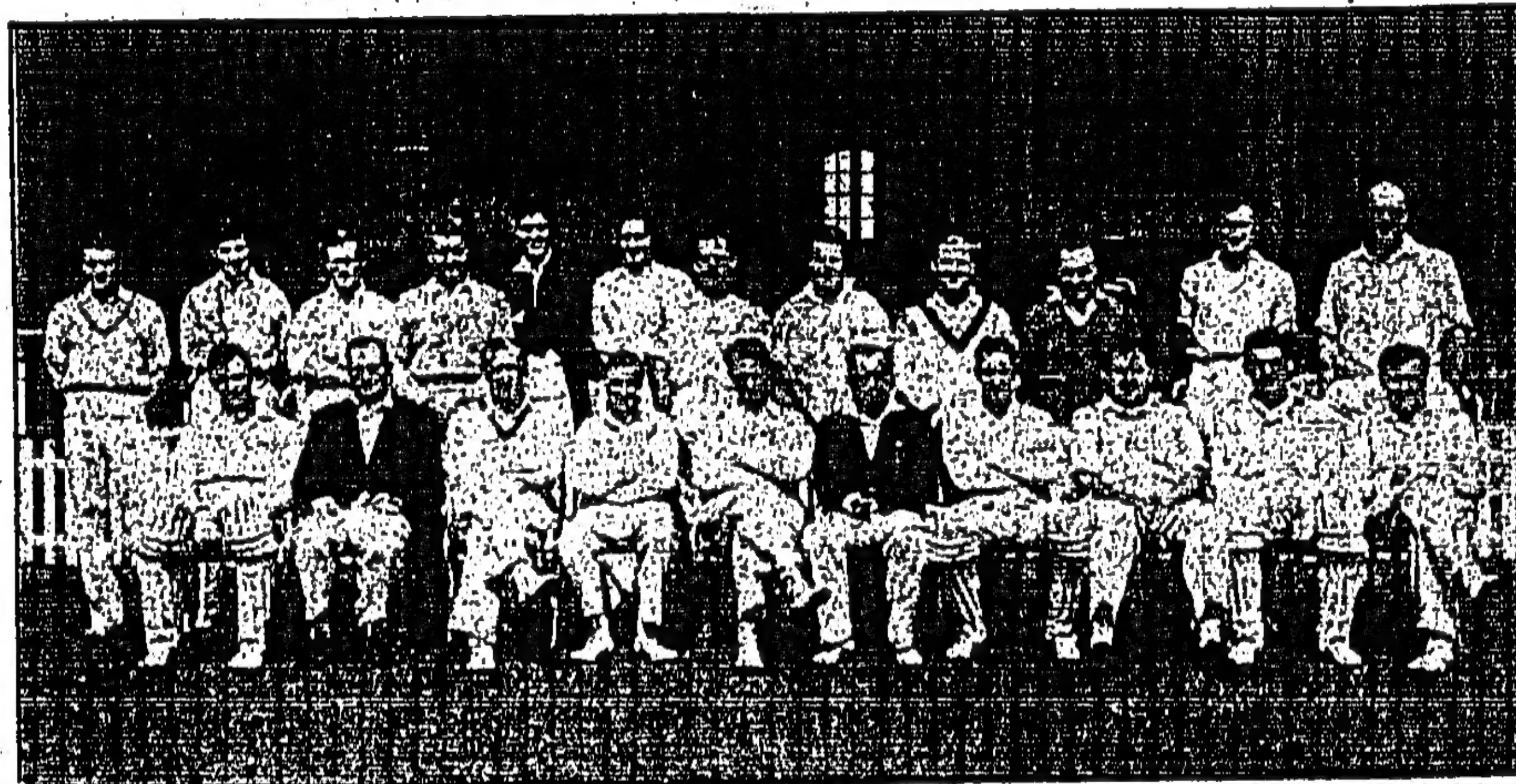


RIGHT: Corner picture shows the Hon. Sir Arthur Morse presenting to Robert Chan, captain of the St Joseph's College team, the challenge cup for winning the schools' junior soccer championship. In lower picture, Mr J. McKelvie, Vice-President of the Hongkong Football Association, is seen drinking out of the cup. (Staff Photographer)

BELOW: Mrs R. B. Black, wife of the Colonial Secretary, cutting the ribbon to open the Queen Mary Hospital's new blood bank. Beside her is the Director of Medical and Health Services, Dr the Hon. K. C. Yeo. (Staff Photographer)



BELOW: Players who took part in the annual Oxford v. Cambridge cricket match, played at the Hongkong Cricket Club last Sunday. The Light Blues won by five wickets. (Staff Photographer)



PHOTOGRAPHED after their wedding last week at St Joseph's Church: Mr Homi Henry Guxdar and Miss Dolia Maria Remedios (Ming Yuen)



LEFT: Chief Detective Inspector C. Dowman (dark suit), who is retiring from the Police Force, being presented with a farewell gift on behalf of his colleagues by Mr C. Wilcox, ASP, at a party held last week at the Police Recreation Club. (Staff Photographer)



ANNUAL group photograph of the Architectural Faculty of the Hongkong University. Professor R. Gordon Brown is in the middle of the front row. (Ming Yuen)

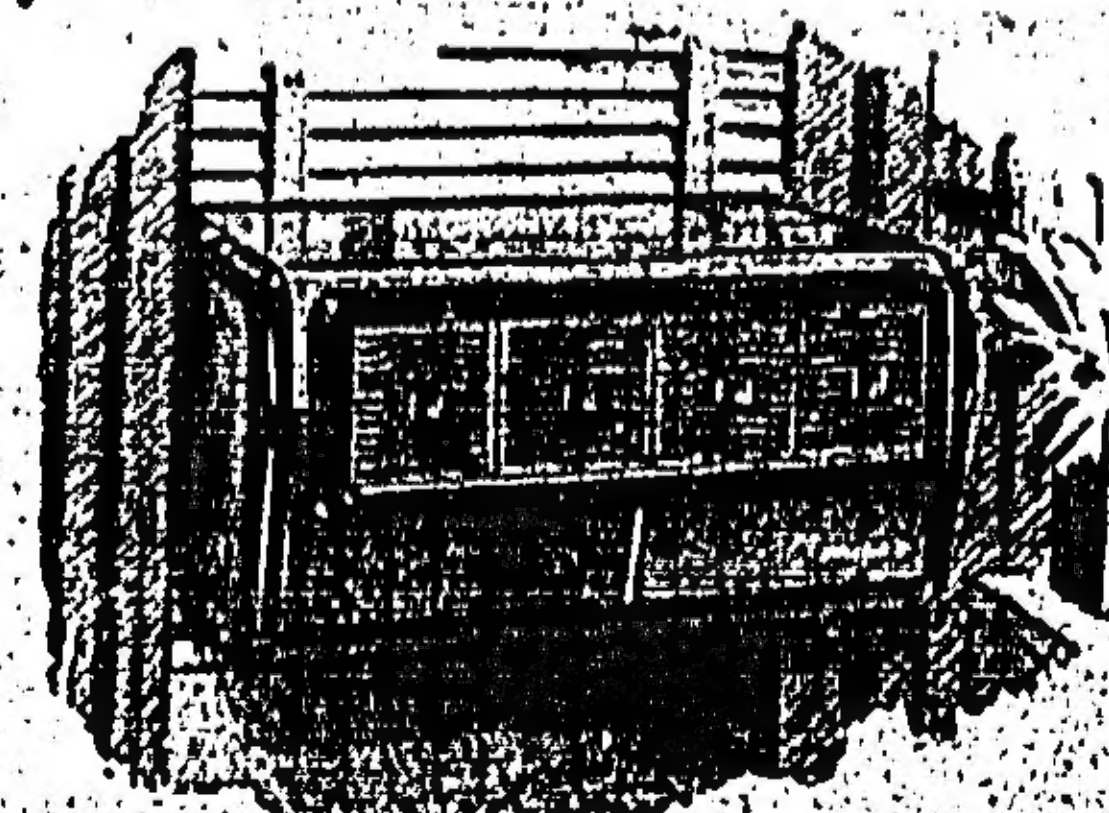
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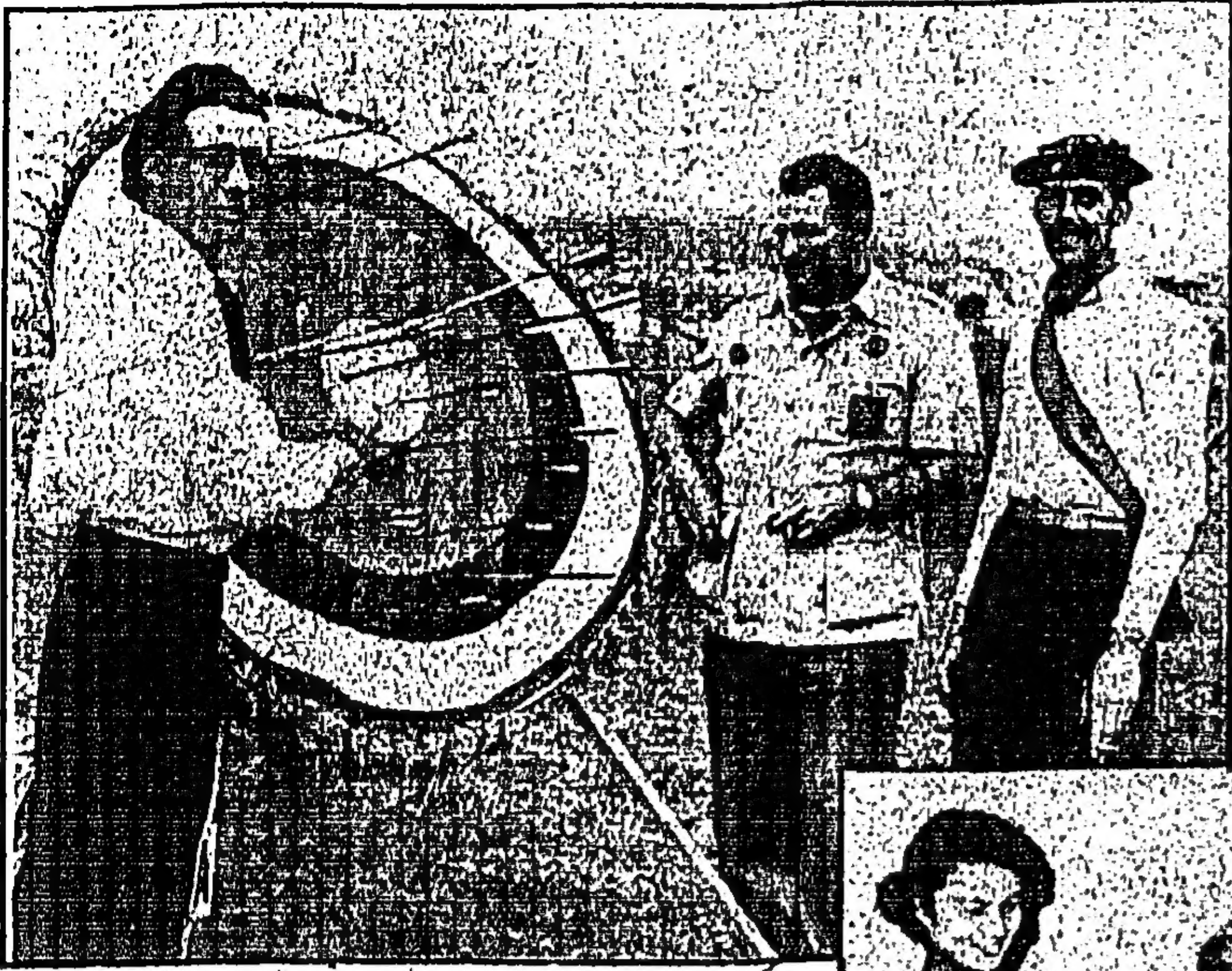
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ENCOURAGING results were obtained at the first field day held by the Hongkong Archery Club last Sunday. The moot was held at the Boundary Street ground, and drew many competitors. Above are seen (from left) Mr John Martin, Hon. Secretary of the Club, Mr John Root, Chairman, and Mr K. Vivian, Field Captain. Right: The youngest competitor, 12-year-old George Willerton, receiving a cup from Miss Baba Arculli for winning the junior Columbia Shoot. (Staff Photographer)



FAREWELL party given by the St Paul's College Old Boys' Association in honour of the Headmaster, Mr E. G. Stewart, at the Skyroom. Mr Stewart is fifth from right. Fourth from right is the President of the Association, Mr U Wing Chan. (Staff Photographer)



PICTURE taken at the Kowloon Union Church last week following the wedding of Mr Alan Santley and Miss Edith Batley. (Staff Photographer)



MRS Elfrida Lopez, who has been 25 years with NAAFI, receiving a gift from Mr Wynne-Tyson, Deputy General Manager, who made the presentation on behalf of the Board of Management. (Ming Yuen)



LEFT: Group outside Christ Church after the christening of Vincent John, son of Mr and Mrs Samuel Shih. The group includes the Rev. Percy Smith, who, in addition to officiating, was a godfather, Mr John D. Tobin, godfather, and Mrs G. A. Goodban, godmother. (Staff Photographer)



MRS D. K. Samy, wife of the President of the Hongkong University Alumni Association, drawing for prizes at the Lugard Hall's 40th anniversary dance, held at the Peninsula Hotel. (Staff Photographer)



AT the farewell party given by Dr T. P. Wu for Mr Bert Gillett, last Sunday. From left: The Hon. C. E. Torry, Mr Gillett, Dr Wu, Mr F. C. Clomo and Major H. F. G. Chauvin. (Staff Photographer)



THE Hongkong Boy Scout contingent to the recent Pan-Pacific Scout Jamboree in Sydney were guests of honour at a welcome back party held at the European YMCA last Saturday. Gifts which they brought back were put on display. Mr Raymond Yue (second from right, standing) was leader of the contingent. On his right is the Colony Commissioner, Mr F. E. Quah. Mr F. C. Clomo, on extreme left, in his capacity as Chairman of the Boy Scout Association, was host. (Staff Photographer)



MRS Crudas (in striped dress), wife of the GOC Land Forces, who opened the bazaar at the Victoria Garrison School last Saturday, inspecting some of the articles on sale. The object of the bazaar was to raise funds to build a garrison church at Sok Kong. (Staff Photographer)



RIGHT: At the War Memorial Welfare Centre on Tuesday, over 500 poor children attended a Chinese New Year party where, after a fine meal consisting of many delicacies, they also received gifts of apples, sweets, biscuits, soap, towels and other articles. (Staff Photographer)

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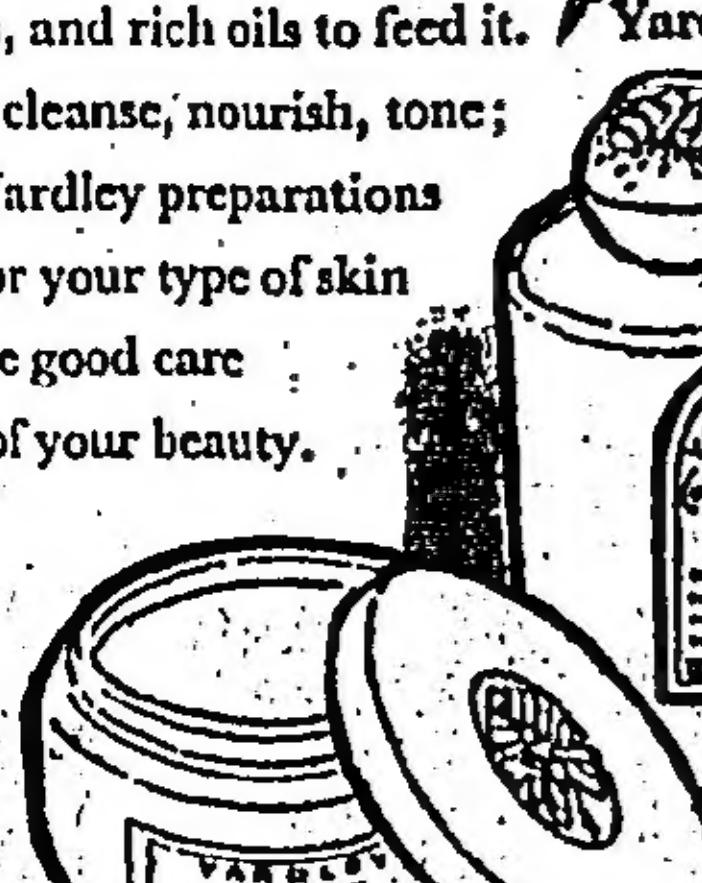
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Dainty little cakes and a novel brew of spiced coffee offers an easy, pleasant way to inspire compliments and praise, even if the man in your life is the most bashful of beaux. Once started in a romantic vein, chances are he'll have plenty to say, and all of it pleasing. So, whether it is Valentine's Day or just a pleasant evening at home, mark the occasion with something special, for instance, the delectable little heart-shaped cakes, so appropriate to the occasion.

If your kitchen lacks special pans, cut layers of a baked cake with heart-shaped cookie cutter.

By ALICE DENHOFF

Take your cue from a pastry chef, and after you've frosted the little cakes, outline hearts with tiny cinnamon drops. If there are any cakes left—which we are inclined to doubt, make them into an appetizing cabinet pudding for tomorrow's dinner, to stamp you not only as a fine cook, but economical, too.

To prepare the coffee, top each cup of the brew with a spoonful of whipped cream into which aromatic spices have been folded. Use as a proportion of 1/4 tsp. each nutmeg and cinnamon to 1/2 c. whipping cream, whipped. Serve sugar if desired, but you're likely to find that it is better without the sweetener.

Special Candies

To round out the occasion, you might serve a batch of special candies. Here is a recipe for quick, easy fondant that is almost fool-proof even for the beginner, but that is likely to draw compliments even

from experienced cooks, and candy fanciers. Just blend 2/3 c. (7 oz.) sweetened condensed milk and 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Add 4 c. sifted confectioners' sugar; continue mixing until smooth and creamy. From this basic foundation, all sorts of candies can be created. Use the fondant plain between halved nutmeats or as a date stuffing. Or form into soft balls and roll in chopped nuts, shredded coconut, grated chocolate or chopped, candied fruits. Or flavour variously and roll into round, flat creams.

Colour delicately—a speck of pale green for peppermint flavour; yellow for lemon; orange for orange flavouring. Use colouring very lightly as pale tints are most attractive. You can decorate the flat creams with a water colour paint brush, outline tiny hearts. Or roll and pat fondant on a slightly-sugared sheet of waxed paper and cut hearts with a small cookie cutter. Incidentally this is a nice notion for an engagement announcement party or a shower.

Kung Hei Fat Choy!

AS crackers go bang and the greeting of "Kung hei fat choy!" resounds everywhere on Chinese New Year Day, which this year happens to fall on the same day as St Valentine's Day, inside the Chinese household celebration consists mostly in the form of eating; eating of a lot of things, things which symbolise the good things of life.

The Complete Box or the Octagonal (an eight-sided box of several compartments) contains sweets of many kinds: sweetened lotus seeds, symbol of great progeny; preserved kumquats, for gold; preserved ginger, also signifying progeny; and a lot of red melon seeds in the central compartment implying "a hundred sons and a thousand grandchildren".

The Complete Box will not be put away until the Fifteenth of the First Lunar Month and is offered to every guest who visits the house, accompanied with the giving of red packets by married couples to children and servants.



Paris Set

PARIS milliners are starting to show Coronation models. This white ostrich feather corsage-wheel has matching pendant earrings.

More Teeth And Tonsils Saved

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

DOCTORS today are not so ready to remove the teeth or tonsils to cure diseases in some other part of the body. With newer drugs and dental methods, they prefer to try to cure the infection and save the tooth when possible.

I am sure you know of people who had teeth extracted to relieve their rheumatism—or perhaps it was kidney trouble or some other disease. Perhaps they told you they felt much better afterwards, and were sure that their troubles all came from their infected teeth.

Focal Infection

Not many years ago a number of doctors were also convinced of this—that infected teeth poured germs or poisons into the system, causing disease in different parts of the body. This was called focal infection. The tonsils, appendix, or gall bladder were thought to be other possible infection centres.

It was even common to remove the teeth or tonsils in certain cases when no other cause of the disease could be found. In some of the diseases the real cause was unknown, but the treatment was thought to remove the possibility of focal infection.

The teeth and tonsils were the focal most often removed, perhaps because they were the easiest to get to, and would

not be missed too much in these days of false teeth.

More recently, doctors have been impressed by the lack of real proof that a local infection can cause a systemic disease. The germs responsible for a number of these diseases are unknown.

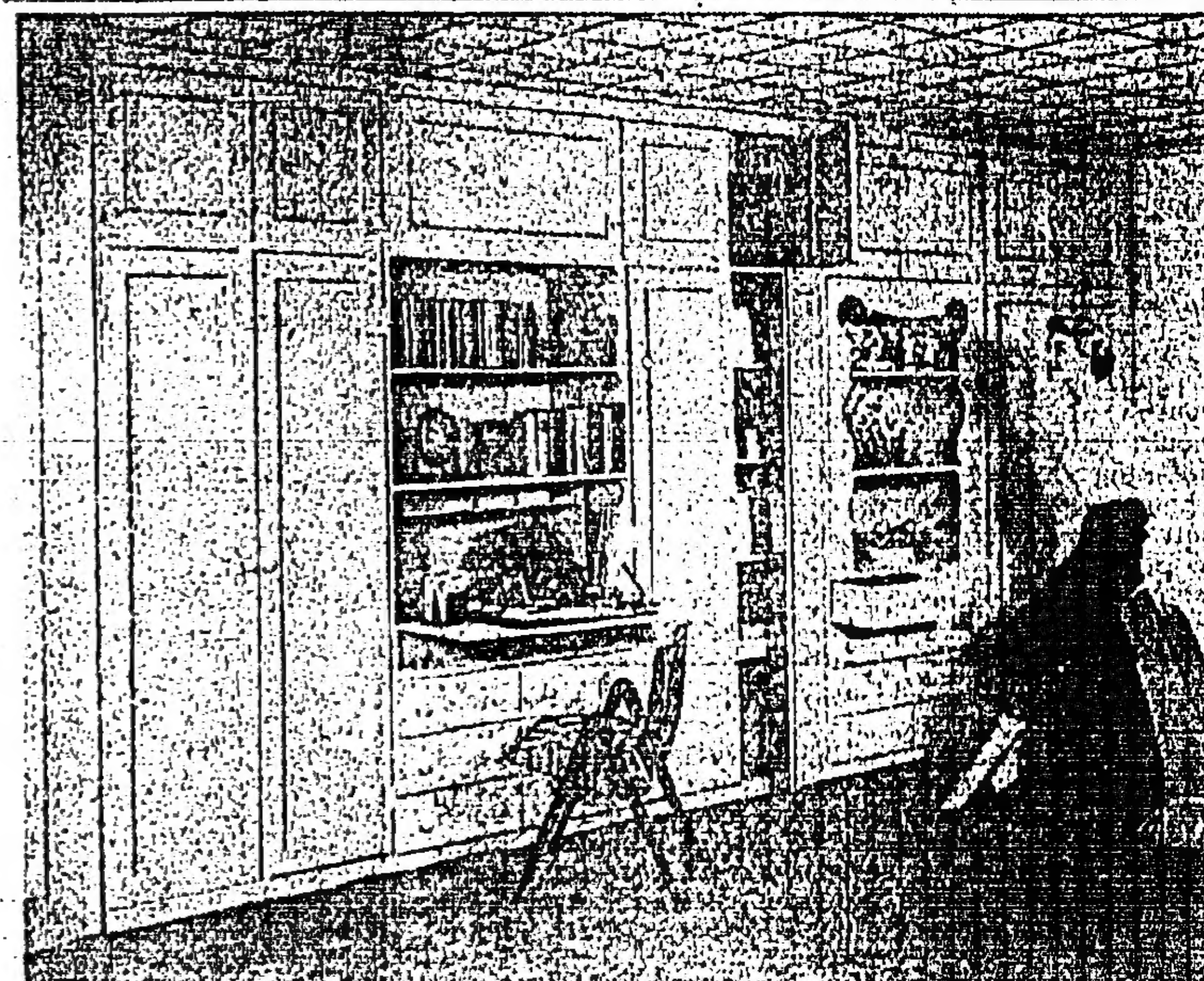
More careful studies have also shown that many people suffering from systemic diseases continue to suffer even after the teeth or tonsils are removed. Occasionally, patients do improve, but the beneficial effects seem to be outweighed by the fact that many do not show any change at all, while others show harmful effects.

Improved General Health

Many times a suspected focus of infection, such as infected gums, clears up after the person is cured of his disease. Or perhaps improved hygiene and cleanliness and a more nourishing diet may improve his general health and clear up the mouth infection at the same time.

Of course, there are still times when infected teeth or tonsils have to be removed, but this is usually because of the infection itself. Many doctors now believe that the teeth or tonsils should not be removed in hope of curing some disease of the body, without proof that the disease is definitely caused by either of these.

A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING



IF YOU HAVE A WALL that needs dressing up and you need storage space, this unit is inexpensive to build with ply panel material.



CABINETS FORM the base of a train table that also has shelves for toys and railway accessories.

By JOAN O'SULLIVAN

THE nicest part about any house is a large attic. It offers convenient solutions to such storage problems as where to put summer clothes or hide the monstrous lamp Aunt Mamie gave you. But, if your attic's small or if you're apartment-dwelling and don't have one, it's a different story.

A couple of closets don't help a bit, as any "homemaker" will tell you. They're "never roomy enough to hold all the things that have to be put away out of sight. The only answer is to build units that will do the job you want done.

One book suggests all manner of units that can be neatly fitted into nooks and crannies. Take the area under a stairway, for example. It's the ideal place for a closet that can hold cleaning equipment, a baby carriage, any number of things.

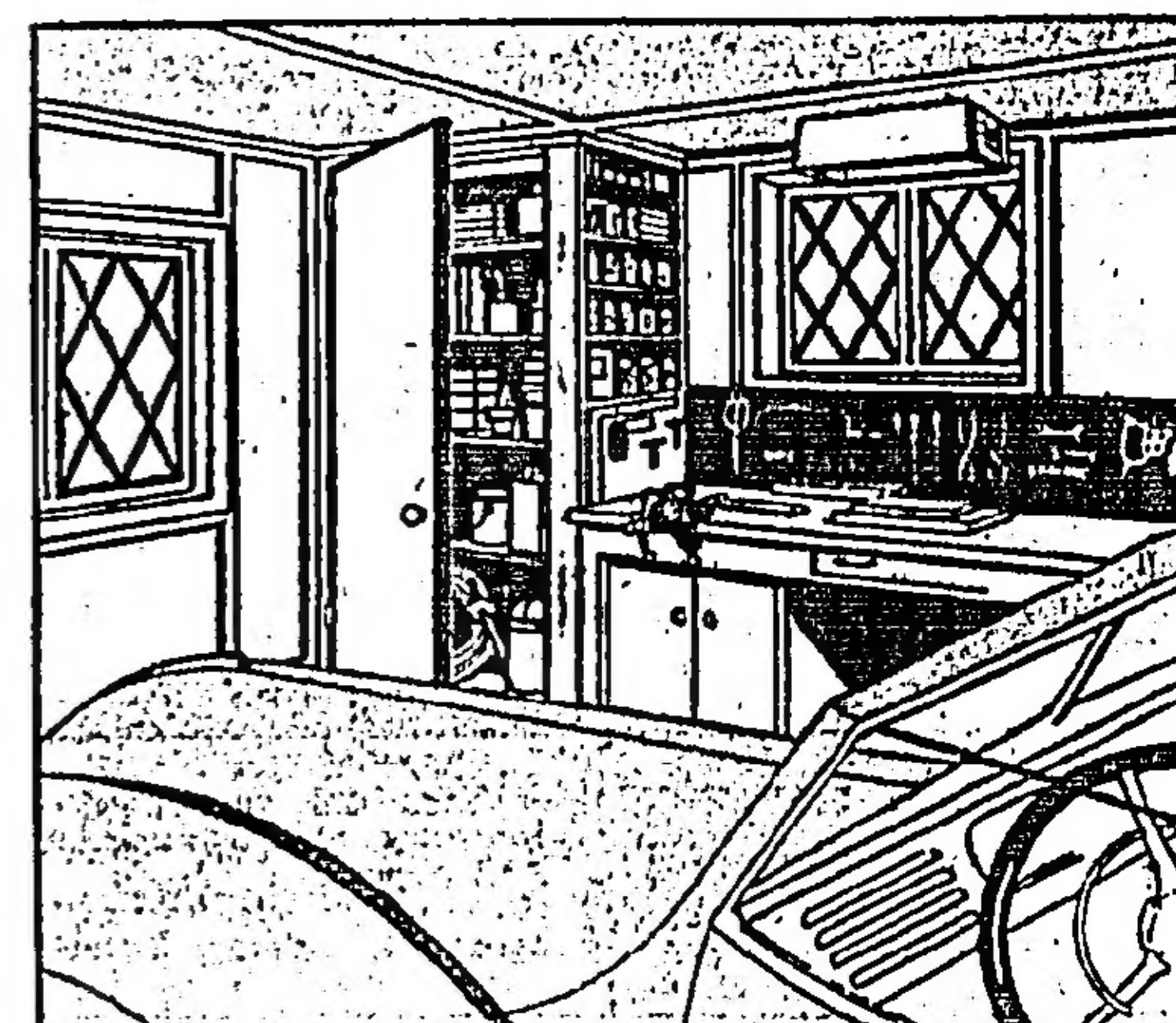
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Or what about the area next to your fireplace? You might create a decorative effect that would be quite useful by building cabinets on either side of it.

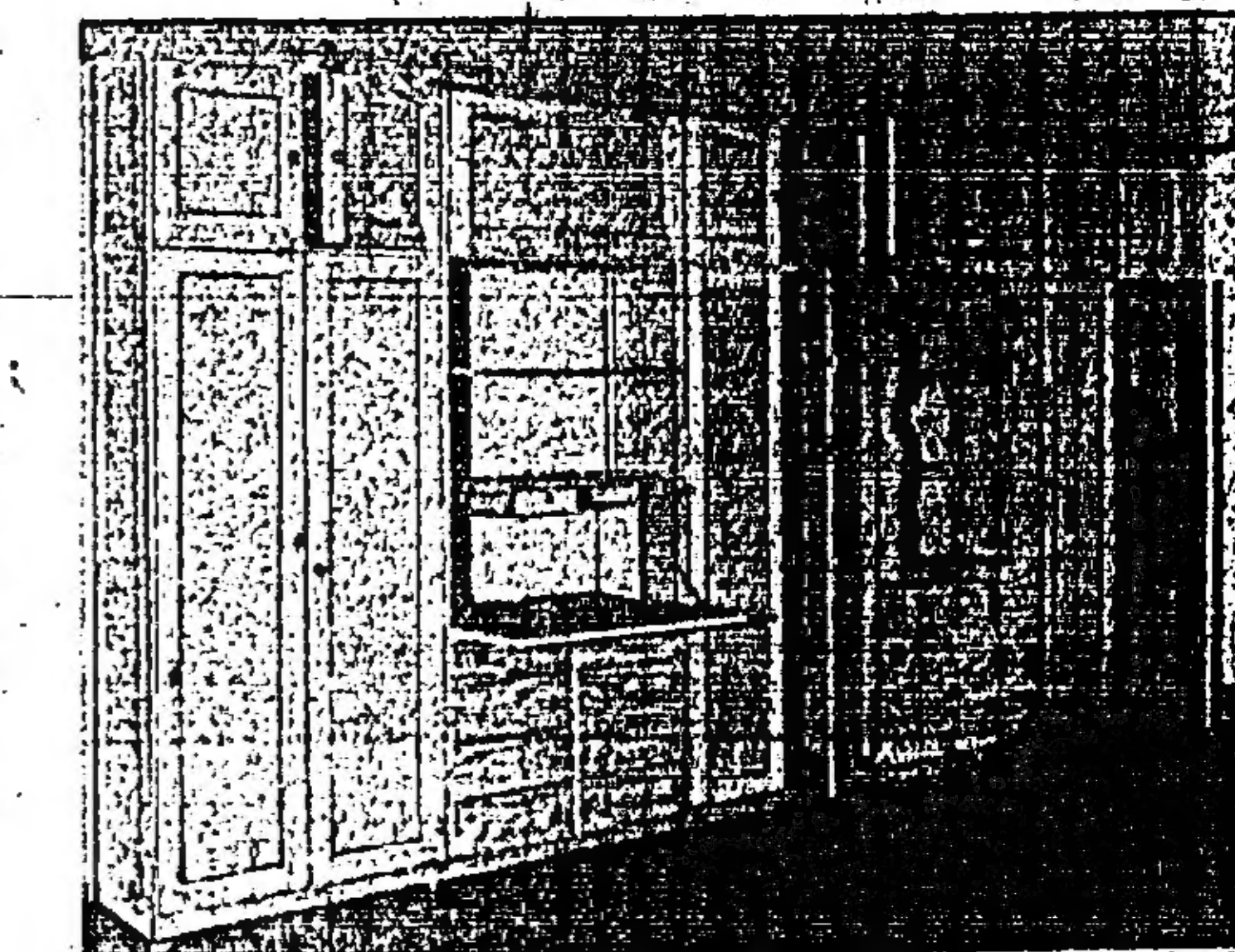
If a storage place for Junior's toys is the problem, it's easy to construct a train-table with cabinets below for toys, shelves above to hold trains, railroad accessories or books.

Another good trick is to utilize space in a bay window with a centred window seat that has storage room; build two china cabinets on either side of the seat.

You can, of course, construct extra closets and shelves in the



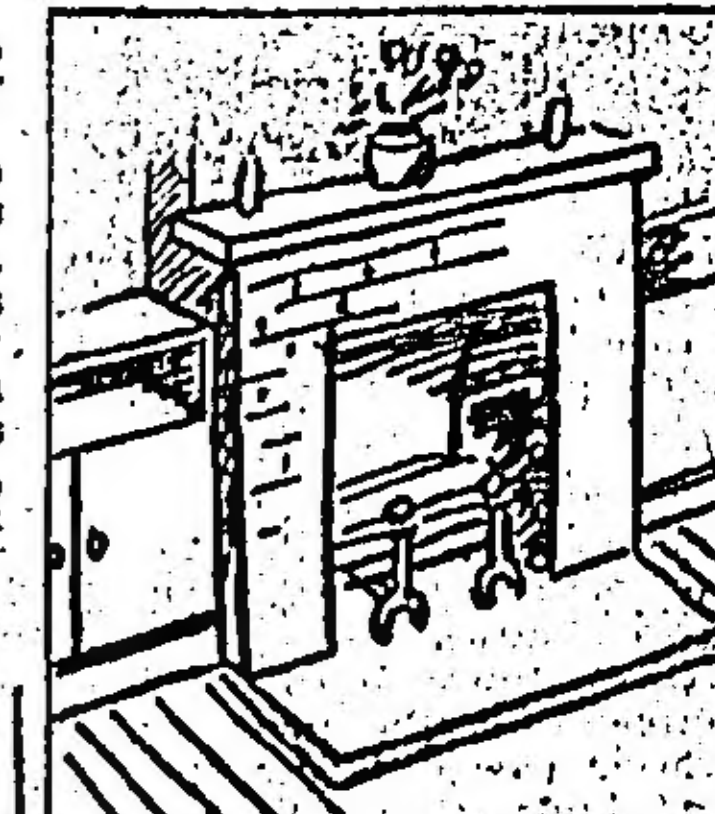
THE GARAGE IS A GOOD SPOT for a table where the home handyman can do repair work, and for a closet to house gardening tools.



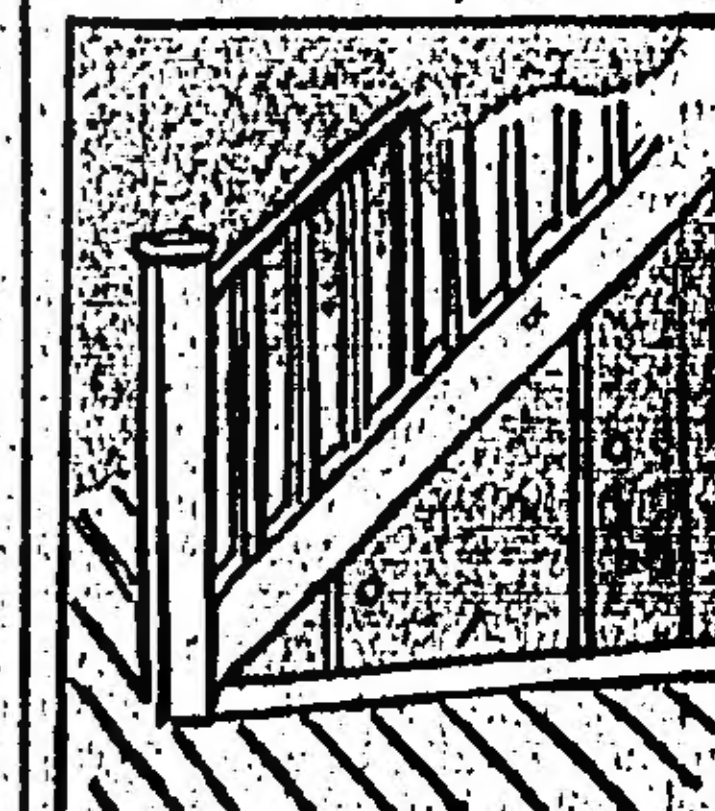
HERE'S WHAT THE UNIT looks like before the final paint job. Note the numerous cabinets, drawers, closets, shelves and the desk.

garage to give Dad a workshop, and to provide a place for garden tools.

A particularly good idea is to build a storage wall. There's a roomy end in the booklet. Like all the units described, this one is constructed with ply, so it's inexpensive. In addition to supplying numerous drawers, shelves, cabinets, closets and a desk, it will be a decorative asset.



CONSTRUCT CABINETS on either side of the fireplace. They'll be decorative as well as useful.



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WALLIS'S ANGEL

The memoirs of 'MUTT' SUMMERS
22 years Chief Test Pilot at Vickers

IN the last few years the sound barrier has become for the youth of today what Everest was to their fathers. Test pilots like young Geoffrey de Havilland, killed over the Thames within an ace of conquest; John Derry, the first Englishman to go through it and killed at Farnborough; and Neville Duke, who went up immediately after Derry and swept through it, are the modern breed of hero explorers.

I have never been through it myself. In a way, of course, I regret it. It would have been a pleasant finishing touch to a career. Though they tell me life is not changed all that much by going a bit higher and faster.

'GETTING OLD'

BY the time supersonic flying was possible—still only three years or so ago—I was getting a bit old. But I don't think that would have stopped me.

What really did was a nasty argument I had with a Warwick bomber in 1945. The Warwick was a twin-engine bomber of the Wellington type, which was put out mainly to Coastal Command squadrons.

I had tested the prototype before the war even, and it had been in production for a couple of years. But this was a new batch with a new modification.

One morning I took one off the line to test—testing goes on throughout production—before it went to the RAF.

She was all right, but just before I brought her in, the back end tweaked at me. Impertinent, and a bit uncomfortable. I told them to leave her out and I would try her again after lunch.

RUDDER JAM

I LUNCHEd with Rex Pearson, who had designed the Warwick, and told him I thought there was something funny about the rudder. Then I went back.

They had taken the plane away and were preparing her for delivery. I made them get her out again and went up. Suddenly she gave full rudder—jammed—and there was nothing I could do about it.

What happens is that one wing goes down, the plane sideslips, and unless you are quick—and lucky—she gets into a spin, and it's all over. But out or crash? There generally is not much time to choose. This time there was no alternative. We were over Weybridge, built-up area; no bailing out.

Anyway, it is a test pilot's job to bring the thing down intact if he can.

That afternoon I had a passenger with me—Jimmy Green, the foreman on the airfield, who had wanted a trip round. I told him to go and lie down by the spar, the strongest part of a plane, and hope.

He did not seem to worry much. I had a reputation for good luck by then. I don't think he realised just how much luck we needed at that moment.

DECEPTIVE

I SAW a nice bit of wood—near where I live today on St. George's Hill. Soft tree-tops with plough-land beyond.

I gave the bottom engine full throttle, trying to keep out of that fatal spin, and roared down in a sideslip on top of those trees. The last second, with flaps up and wheels up—pulled her back and knocked the switches.

Trees are deceptive. From upstairs they look like a feather mattress. On them, they're like a bed of thorns. They hurt.

The Warwick slid off them on to the plough-land. I crawled out, and a couple of farm hands came up. They looked at me in horror, and I told them where to find Jimmy Green. They pulled him out as flames started licking along the wings.

The Warwick went up, so I had lost the evidence—except for the information I could give.

Next morning I was in bed in the local hospital. They had sewn half my nose back on, and I was beginning to come round properly from having half my face banged in.

My son Patrick arrived to see me with the news that another Warwick had just spun

right into the centre of the railway track in Weybridge. Squadron Leader Longbottom, inevitably known as "Shorty," one of my assistant test pilots and a very good one, did not have my luck. He was dead.

Two weeks later, Flight-Lieutenant Tommy Luck had to bale out of another. A few days after that my brother Maurice, a wing commander and testing for us, baled out of a fourth. He landed on a road, broke his back and fractured his skull.

Maurice had tested for Hawker before the war, then joined up and had been in America. He had had one or two nasty accidents; one crash nearly tore his leg off, and we had to have it put back before he was a complete enough man to bring the first Liberator over to Britain.

The Warwick finished him, however, and after the war he went back to the wife he had married in America and settled down in Wall Street as a stockbroker.

The Warwick had given us a nasty month at Vickers. But it had made the point yet again about the test pilot's work. There was a flaw in a line machine which turned it into a killer. But it had been found at the works end.

One man had been killed, but if the planes had got to the RAF like that, a whole crew of eight, may be even several crews, might have got it.

It was the banging about I got that time that finished me for very high altitude flying. And supersonic flying takes place—or should—very high indeed.

FINE CHAPS

THE war did not change life so much. I was not allowed to make any operational flights myself, so I went on testing.

As the years went on, I found that, instead of being alone or with a couple of assistant pilots at most, I had collected a staff of about 30 test pilots. I picked them myself—RAF boys, many of whom had learned the hardest way about planes and all about what it was like to fight them.

They were fine chaps. And we started a little sideline too—flying patched-up planes out of impossible small fields in which they had been crash-landed and bringing them home to be put right again.

But the one man who stands out most vividly from my memories of the war years was a pilot at all. Barnes Wallis—B. N. Wallis, CBE, FRS, to get him right—is a mild, white-haired scientist who still works at Vickers.

He has been designing since before the first war. He designed the famous R100 airship, and went on to invent a form of aircraft construction, called the gundette method, which made the Wellington superlatively strong.

'GRAND SLAM'

BUT Wallis also knew about bombs—about the only man in 1939 who did. And he wanted to build a ten-tonner "Grand Slam" and get a plane to carry it to the Nazis.

Everyone, nearly, thought he was mad, but six years later he was allowed to make it. Before then, however, he had produced his famous "Tallboy" bomb which, as I indicated earlier, was a sinking the Tirpitz as though she was nothing more than a rowing boat.

But he had yet another pet scheme. He had decided, all on his own, to destroy the Möhne and Eder dams, which supplied much of the power to the Ruhr industries. He designed a "conclusion" bomb which played tricks under water—in some way laid itself against the dam before it exploded.

He had to steer his way for three years between a barrage of insults and official obstruction before he got permission to try the thing out. Then he had a half-size model



PUNCTURE! But it does not mar 'Mutt' Summers' joy after his record flight to Paris and back.

60 FT. TEST

PART of the trick was that the bomb had to be dropped from a height of exactly 60 ft. above the water, and I think that test, in peaceful daylight, helped both Wallis and myself to realise what skill the pilot and bomb aimers on the real job required. They had to fly heavy "Lancs" at 60 feet, in the dark, through flak.

The model worked. The next thing was to get some Lancasters, the only planes big enough to carry the real thing. "Bomber" Harris was the man with the "Lancs." And also the last man to give any of them up to what he called some crack-pot inventor who ought to be doing proper work.

Luckily I had known the terrifying air marshal for years—long enough even to call him Bert to his face, which is a very long time. So I offered to take Wallis along to meet him in an attempt to cut across those interminable official channels.

DAMS RAID

BY kicking Wallis on the shins whenever he was insolent, and placidly reiterating to Harris that this was no ordinary inventor, I managed to keep the two on a shaky but more or less level keel. And "Bomber" Harris, reluctantly, but considering everything, generously, gave us one solitary "Lanc" with which to test the bomb.

After Harris had seen the test, however, he did not hesitate. Wallis got his squadron of Lancasters, and the dams raid was on.

One evening I was sent to Weybridge station to meet the first commander of 617 Squadron. It was Guy Gibson—VC, DSO and Bar, DFC and Bar before he was killed. Gibson, who had come to me years before and been to be a test pilot.

It is an old story now, the heroism and tragedy, the incredible mixture of Wallis's imaginative scientific genius and the skill and superhuman courage of those young boys of 617 Squadron. Fifty-six out of 133 did not come back.

TRIUMPHANT

BARNES WALLIS and I were on the station, waiting all through. We had dined with them, smoked a last cigar, and watched them haul their Lanc planes up into the night.

When the code messages came through, that the dams

made, and we adapted a Wellington to carry it. I flew the Wellington, plus bomb, down to Chesil beach for testing. Wallis flew with me, lying down in the nose to be his own bomb aimer.

When at last I said: "That's all. There's no point in waiting," he went very quiet; his reserve broke down. He said: "If I'd known it would be like this, I'd never have started the beastly thing."

After the war Wallis was given an inventor's award of £10,000. Typically, he handed it straight over to a fund to educate the children of 617 Squadron. Wallis is one of the great men of his age.

The war hit Vickers as everywhere else. We were bombed and dive-bombed.

Even so, our risks were mainly of the kind we were used to—testing, testing, testing again, until suddenly a plane did misbehave.

Like a Wellington with a new modification, in the middle of the war, I went out to the squadron which had it and had become suspicious about it. I put the thing into a dive, and as I tried to pull out the horns which balance the elevators came away.

I managed to bring it out on the trimmers, and got back home with a relief the squadron pilots rather joyously shared—that it had happened to me. They got their planes remodified all right.

LANDING JETS

PEOPLE ask if it's difficult changing over to jets. I have flown nearly everything, from first-war fighter biplanes to Lancasters and Liberators, and I don't think a stage further makes much odds. So long as every time you try a new plane you first make sure you know the thing and understand properly what makes it tick, everything should be all right.

The only big difference with jets is in landing them. With the old planes as you come in, the props slow you down considerably. With a jet there is nothing of that, and normally you land much faster. It feels something like the difference between free-wheeling in a car and using a lower gear to brake down.

At any rate, I managed to get the prototype of the world's first jet airliner up, and bring it down all right. That was the Nene Viking.

A BEAUTY

THE Viking, which still forms the backbone of BEA, was a pretty straight development of the old Wellington bomber. It had the same wing design, the same engines. The fabric fuselage was changed to metal. Now we carried it a stage further—we took out the

two piston engines and fitted two Rolls-Royce Nene jets. The Viscount, on the other hand, was built from scratch as a jet airliner. It is a 48-seater, a gleaming beauty, driven by four prop-jet engines.

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GOT THE FEEL

I SEE that Trans-Canada Airlines have ordered 15 Viscounts—a dollar order amounting to over £4,000,000. And the Chancellor of the Exchequer has congratulated Vickers on their drive and initiative.

I remember well enough testing the prototype Viscount. It was an occasion shrouded in gloom.

Before I took that first one up, we had been told that no one wanted the Viscount. The Ministry was no longer interested, and it was said no one else would be.

I took her upstairs and got the feel of her. I brought her down and sought out George Edwardes. He thought then that this was the only Viscount he would ever see flying. I told him: "This is a wonderful aeroplane. I bet you anything you like it won't be allowed to die."

British European Airways have since ordered 20; in all 75 are on order. No wonder the Chancellor sent a congratulatory telegram.

But it was the Viking I took over to Paris to break the record there and back.

MME. BLERIOT

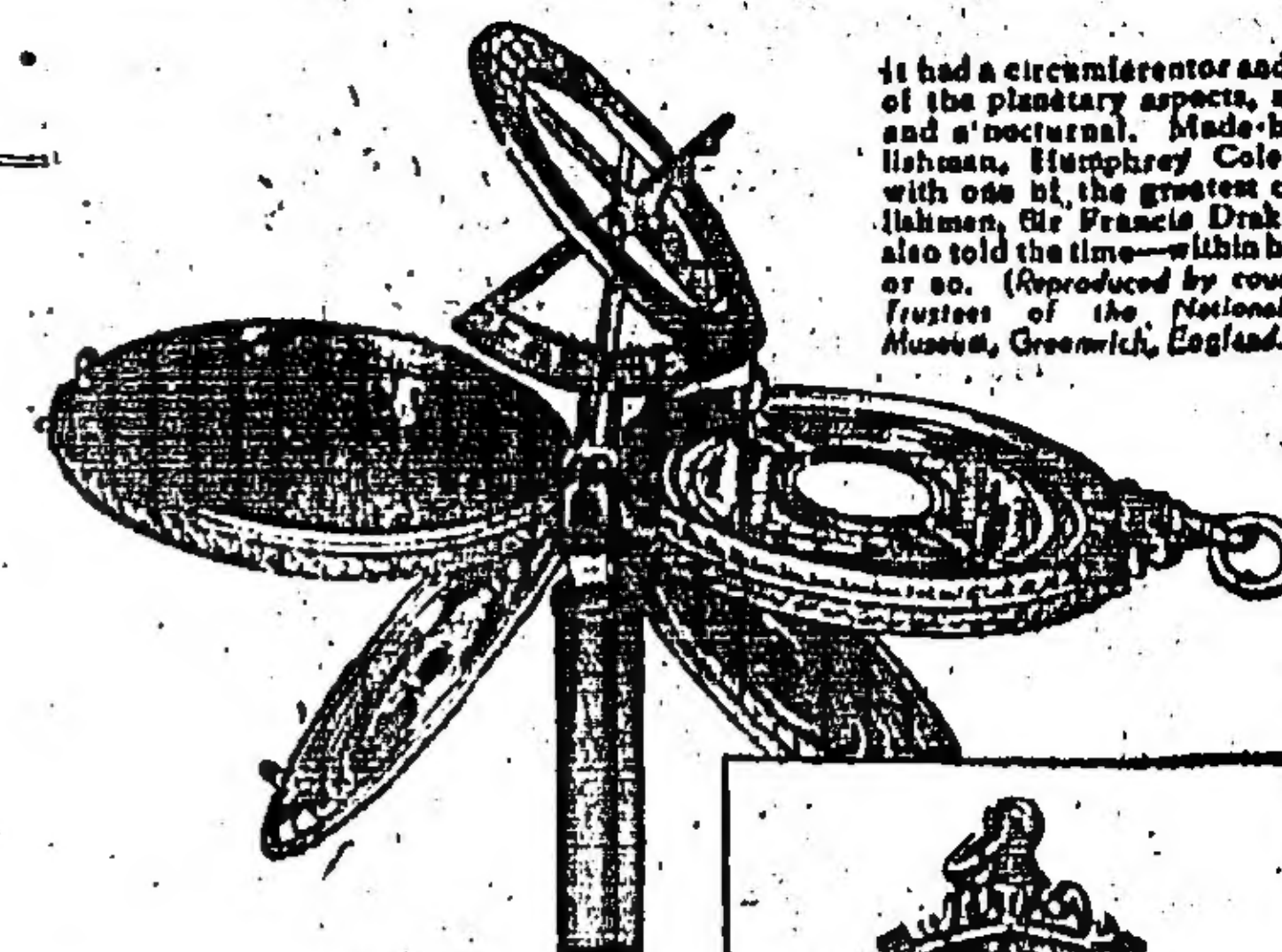
THAT was a beautiful summer day. Thirty-nine years before, exactly, Louis Blériot had flown the Channel for the first time at a speed of about 44 miles an hour. Now, going beautifully at about 120 miles an hour, I was doing an easy 415 miles an hour.

Blériot took 27 minutes from Calais to Dover—27 miles. The Viking took 34½ minutes to cover the 21½ miles from Heath Row to Villacoublay. Madame Blériot, Louis Blériot's widow, and her son, were waiting at the Paris terminal for us, and we all had lunch together. It was a beautiful lunch, punctuated by beautiful wines.

George Edwardes, who designed the Viking and who flew over in her with me, enjoyed it thoroughly. I was the only one who could not drink. A pilot's lot can be hard.

And, of all things, to usher in this new era of jet-engined air travel, as we landed back at Heath Row—we got a puncture!

NEXT WEEK Flying over all—John Derry, 'Cats'-eyes' Cunningham, Les Colquhoun.



It had a circumferential and a diagram of the planetary aspects, a tide table and a nocturnal. Made by an Englishman, Humphrey Cole, in 1580, with one of the greatest clock-makers, the Frenchman, Jean de Dinteville. And it also told the time—Latin and French or so. (Reproduced by courtesy of the Trustees of the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, England.)

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The programme will consist of 9 races. The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2 p.m. Through Tickets (9 Races—\$18.00) also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on 2nd May, 1953, may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Office of the Club at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 20th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

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Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Alexandra House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all debts, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office is situated at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, and the Secretary's Office at Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

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By Order,
H. MIRA,
Secretary.

ON THE RECORD The Unpredictable Irishman Runs His Farewell Race

Joseph Patrick "Paddy" McMahon, the unpredictable Irishman whose moods have at times annoyed the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association, ran one more race after his farewell appearance at the University last Saturday.

That was at King George V School ground on Monday evening when his opponent was Rita Hall. It was a close race over 100 Yards between two Colony record holders. The winner was Rita Hall. The winning time was 12.0 seconds. The Colony record for the Girls' 100 Yards is 12.5 seconds.

"Paddy" hadn't yet packed up his track suit and spiked shoes yesterday evening though he is due to sail for home this morning. He leaves behind him his Colony records for 800 Metres (2 minutes 2 seconds) and the One Mile (4 minutes 35.3 seconds). As his successors as Colony Champions he fancies L.A. Goodburn and Derek Coburn in the 800 and 1,500 Metres respectively. This is probably designed to annoy colleague Mike Curzon sufficiently to leave the middle distance double in the hands of the Royal Corps of Signals.

"Paddy" is taking home to Dublin some 30 cups, medals and banners won in 2 1/2 years of competition in Hongkong. His plans are to return to Hongkong to a Clivity Street job.

Though "Paddy" has annoyed the Association by backing out of last Sunday's meet, this column must put on record his contribution to athletics in Hongkong. This did not stop at "pot hunting". In his two and a half years here he has encouraged and coached half-a-dozen athletes to Championship class and he was a popular figure at Caroline Hill with the South China athletes. A major contributor to cementing relations between Hongkong's various communities in this branch of sport.

He helped the Association by organising the broadcasting system that helped make a success of the annual Cross Country race and he set an example in training that is being followed by our Champions of tomorrow.

On the whole, "Paddy" McMahon's contribution to Hongkong athletics has been far from negligible, and his very Irish reaction in refusing to run in the 400 and 800 Metres when he wanted to run in the 1,500 Metres is not understandable. It may have been his last opportunity to regain his record in a major event from Derek Coburn.

The largely Irish governing body of local athletics, this column hopes, will get around to forgiving him this Irish reaction.

In view of last week-end's athletics I have overlooked several performances that deserve place on the record with some comment.

To start with, Chan Wal-chuen and It Helmuty threw the discus out 109 feet 10 inches and 105 feet 5 1/2 inches respectively. These are no longer remarkable performances by our local standards, but a remarkable fact is that they were accomplished with a discus that was several ounces overweight and very badly balanced.

The SCAA discus was loaned for the Boundary Street meet in December and is now believed to be at Kai Tak. It wasn't thrown that far by Pawlowski, but some of the loaned equipment got mixed up and taken away to the wrong destinations.

Chan Wal-chuen beat his previous best ever in the Shot Put with a put of 38 feet 4 1/4 inches and 37 feet 10 inches. He followed this with 37 1/2. Boddy is leaving before the Colony Championships, but will be available for March 8 at the University when with Chan Wal-chuen, Pawlowski and Helmuty they will each have six throws in an attempt to beat Chan's Colony record of 123 feet 6 1/2 inches. Boddy has a measured throw of 127 feet standing to his credit in practice recently.

Michael Wilcox's 55 seconds dead in the 400 Metres behind Lt. Goodburn should not pass unnoticed and he is going to be a serious threat to Le Wing-chuen in both the Inter-School and Colony Championships.

Not to be overlooked either as coming sprint threats are Roy Spencer and Betty Williams. Roy had to look after Quentin Almeida on the first leg of the 400 Metres Relay and the astonishing fact is that he held his own against a Championship medalist.

French Convent School's Betty Williams so impressed the HKAAA officials with her speed in the relay that she was unanimously picked for the sixth berth in the 100 Yards International Boundary Street on February 22. The other are Lam Kik-ian, Deborah Hurlbutt,

Jennifer Hart, Rita Hall and Fok Wing-sheung. Betty will probably be last, but she will not be outclassed in this field.

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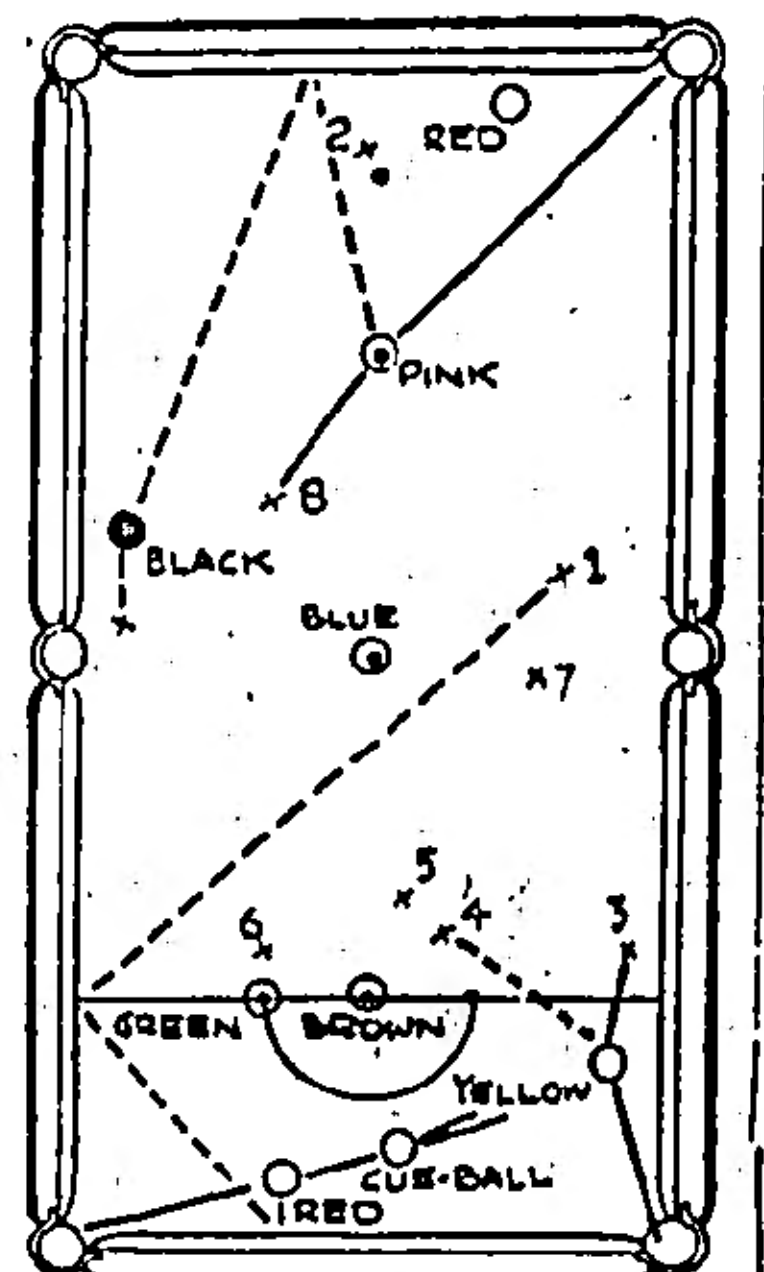
SNOOKER

By Horace Lindrum

(World Professional Snooker Champion)

In tackling the position I left you with last week my opening stroke would be to pot the red into the bottom left-hand corner pocket as shown; with the aid of running side the one-ball would come off the bottom cushion on to the left-side baulk cushion and travel across the table for position XI on the pink.

I am now ready for a reasonably easy pot into the top left-hand corner pocket, but in playing the pink I would use sufficient speed to bring the whiteball off the top cushion for a cut stroke on the last red from position marked X2. When



playing to cut the last red into the top right-hand corner pocket, it would be necessary to use a little left-hand side to make the white ball come off the top cushion and go straight up the table for position on the yellow, X3.

I would now address the cue-ball low to pot the yellow into the bottom right-hand corner pocket and delicately screw across the baulk line to get ready for the second pot on the yellow from X4.

From this position I would need to use the rest to pot the yellow into the bottom right-hand corner pocket using enough left-hand side on the cue-ball to make contact with the bottom cushion and come over the baulk line into position for this green, X5.

All the colours are now on their respective spots with the exception of the black, so the game from this position is reasonably under control. Potting the green into the bottom left-hand corner pocket is simple, but the cue-ball must be struck very low to bring it back a fraction for position on the brown, X6.

Once again the whiteball must be addressed very low for potting the brown into the bottom right-hand corner pocket. This enables the cue-ball to screw into position, X7 for the blue.

The black ball is the main problem now. Therefore, I would pot the blue into the left-hand middle pocket, with a slight run-through delivery to place the whiteball in an angle position for the pink, X8.

The reason I would leave this angle on the pink is so that I can get the pink into the top right-hand corner pocket and at the same time, send the cue-ball on to the top cushion to kiss the black over the middle left-hand pocket. It has the added advantage that should the contact on the black be too fast or too slow, I would still be in a position to pot it into the bottom left-hand corner pocket.

Holiday Softball International Series Matches On Monday By "KEYSTONE"

Softball activities over the coming long week-end will be highlighted by the International Series second round matches on the third day of the Chinese New Year. In the opening game on Monday, a powerful China nine, fresh from their triumph over last season's champion Portugal team, are expected to brush aside light opposition from the youthful Philippines squad. The nightcap game will feature the heavy-hitting USA contingent in a slugging match against a select Pakistan team.

Regular League fixtures are limited to two Senior "A" Division matches and a lone Senior "B" tilt on Sunday.

Sunday's morning game will have the Pennant favourites, the Braves, clashing with the greatly-improved US Navy team.

Red Pereira's Jaguars, riding on the crest of their heady victory over the highly-rated South China boys last week, will be gunning for another such morale-booster against Art Ozerio's aging Salutes. The Braves, chasing with the crimson togged Americans against the Rexes in a third encounter to settle roosting rights on the top perch of the Senior "B" League ladder once and for all.

These two outfits fought each other to a standstill twice previously, each game ending only in the eighth inning when darkness prevented further play.

TRIUMPHANT MARCH
Ed Carvalho's unbeatable Braves aim to consolidate their death-like hold on this season's Pennant. Consistently slinking up brilliant ball this season, the Tribe have shown real championship form from the very start, sweeping aside all opposition in their triumphant march towards Pennantville.

The only time they faltered was when the lone pitching arm of hurler Chapple Remondino gave out in the last inning and handed a quiet unexpected victory to the unbelieved South China lads, with whom they were sharing the first place.

Since then, the crack Chinese outfit has fallen by the wayside as they tripped over the dauntless opposition put up by the unpredictable Madcaps and the jolting tactics of the Jaguars. These upsets pushed the willing Braves further ahead in the pennant-race so that, at this late stage of the season, the Tribe enjoys a comfortable two-game lead over their closest rivals.

Starting off the current season with what seemed to be a radically different line-up, the Braves revealed with a flourish the powerful trump-cards hidden up their managerial sleeve when they fielded that talented duo of former MVPs, infielder Tony Omand and all-rounder Junior Remedios. The inclusion of these two key players in the line-up has, with a doubt, won the day for the Braves in more than one "must" game.

The US Navy, which started the season in fine style with convincing wins over top-grade teams, had to undergo a complete change of line-up with the departure of the USS Annapolis from port.

PEPPERED UP
The present team, representing Uncle Sam's Navy made a most unimpressive start by dropping their first game by a lopsided 10-0 score to a middling team. But since then, having seemingly solved their chronic pitching problems with the acquisition of windmill delivery twirler Bogard, the Navy boys have pepped up their fielding considerably to match their free-hitting attack.

The extent of their all-round improvement may be gauged by their stirring wins over the Pandas and St. Joseph's, as well as their narrow edge-out by South China.

With tremendous latent power lurking in every bat of the line-up, the US Navy stands well to pull off several more stunning upsets before the current season is over, and the Braves had better look to their laurels this Sunday if their rostrate Pennant-dreams are to crystallise.

Still bathing in the heady aftermath of their conquest of the second-place South China last week, the Jolting Jaguars will seek further laurels in Sunday's encounter with the veteran St. Joseph's squad.

The Saints conceded a humiliating walk-over in time, very unSaint-like fashion to the lowly Chinese Athletics last week. Flagged by pitching problems, sagging team morale, and plain old age, the Saints have demonstrated little of the aggressive, ball-winning spirit of last season when they carried off top Senior "A" Division honours against all expectation.

NIP-AND-TUCK
Sunday's nightcap game will be another nip-and-tuck affair with the Americans pitting power-hitting and experience against the Rexes' youth and speed.

This resumption of the bitter, first round feud-game after two fruitless ties will be spiced by the fact that the team emerging victorious will in all probability carry off the Senior "B" Championship this season.

The Americans have completed their normal playing schedule, with the exception of two outstanding games against the dangerous Rexes, and one more win will assure them of at least a play-off. A clean sweep of the Rexes series will, of course, land the hard-hitting Americans the coveted Senior "B" title.

Former pitcher Harry Cunningham played an outstanding role in the two previous drawn games against the Rexes, by some fine clutch-normal playing from the mound will be greatly felt, and his formidable bat will be even more sorely missed from the line-up.

With this great psychological and literal advantage to boost their spirits, the hustling Rexes will be going all out to match the initial match of their two-game series with the Americans. A win will strengthen their position immensely, as their lone outstanding game apart from this series is against the relatively weak Red Sox.

MONDAY GAMES
In Monday's International Series, a powerful Chinese squad will show off their paces against the youthful Philippines team in the opening game.

Having humbled Portugal, the all-conquering Champions for several years, running via a stunning 3-0 shut-out, the crack China outfit will not have too much trouble brushing aside the Filipino threat as the Philippines will be represented by a weak, mixed team of players drawn mostly from the Junior Division Dodgers, with only two or three Senior Division players available to form the backbone of the squad.

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Useless Lives Down His Name as Tragedy Strikes the School Team

By JOSEPH OLGIN

ULYSSES GARDNER'S heart sank as Dick Fowler, captain and star of P.S. 17's elementary school track team, stopped him as he was passing Pop's Drug Store. Ulysses knew whenever Dick took time to even speak to him it was for the purpose of an unmerciful ribbing. Most of the time Ulysses didn't mind it or at least pretended not to. But now in front of the gang—



Knowing this was his great moment of trial, Ulysses Gardner poured forth every effort to pass the purple-clad man in front of him.

Dick winked at the group, glanced at his wrist watch and exclaimed loudly, "Come on, Useless, it's almost 8 o'clock, time to go home and get to bed early."

The boys roared. Dick's pet name for Ulysses never failed to evoke gales of laughter. Everyone knew Ulysses was useless as far as the track team was concerned. He hadn't scored a point all season!

With exaggerated concern Dick continued: "Tomorrow is the county championship meet. If you're not in shape, Useless, we're sunk!"

Another roar of laughter burst from the crowd. Ulysses bit his lip to keep it from trembling. His face flushed a deep red. "D-d-don't worry about my curfew," he finally stammered. "S-see that you keep yours."

DICK turned away laughing as Ulysses clenched and unclenched his fists in exasperation. If only he could beat that amrit Dick in one race—but what was the use of dreaming. He hadn't a chance to beat Dick who was easily the best junior runner in the whole county.

Ulysses shook his head as he hurried away from his tormentor. If only he could score one little point in tomorrow's meet he'd feel that his practice and hard work wasn't wasted. Then he groaned to himself: he wouldn't even get a chance to run! He was only entered in the meet as a substitute on the junior relay.

The next afternoon the armory was jammed tight with track fans from all over the county. Excitement ran high. This year the battle was between P.S. 17 and P.S. 34 for the championship.

Ulysses felt smaller and more useless than ever as he looked up at the excited crowd in the balcony. He then began a series of duties which were his usual contribution to P.S. 17's track success. He brought Dick his sweatshirt when the P.S. 17's captain cracked the meet record for the 60-yard dash. He helped shift the mats for Neal Borden, P.S. 17's left foot high jumper, who also copped a first. He kept the score card for Coach Williams as the meet progressed and kept an eye on the clock room to see that the clothes and equipment were safe. It was nip and tuck all the way. P.S. 17's lead in the dashes and high jump was wiped out as P.S. 34 made a clean sweep of the standing broad jump.

Then tragedy struck P.S. 17 as Dick Fowler, trying for a double victory in the running broad jump, landed wrong and sprained his ankle badly. Coach Williams took one look at the swelling and groaned.

"Your ankle is up like a balloon. You're out of the relay now, Dick."

Dick tried vainly to rise. "No! No! That means Useless will have to run. We'll be sunk!"

Ulysses' heart beat wildly. He was going to get a

10-yard lead when he passed off to Samson. Joe increased it to 20 when he gave the baton to Green. The crowd roared. P.S. 17 looked like a sure winner.

Ulysses' heart beat like a trip hammer as he grabbed the baton and pounded around the track a full 30 yards in the lead. Behind him he heard the pounding footsteps coming closer and closer. He became panicky. The other teams had their crack runners at anchor. He was only a sub. They'd catch him sure. He brushed the feeling aside. He had work to do. At the 100-yard mark his spirits rose. No one had passed him yet and only 100 more yards to go.

THE P.S. 17's crowd suddenly groaned as a green-clad Central runner caught up to Ulysses and sped by him. Ulysses' breath began coming hard as he strained forward. A bright yellow uniform from Bayville passed him next as he forced himself ahead with all his might. He couldn't let any other runner pass him from now on. He must keep third place or the meet was lost.

Then a deep wall rose from the P.S. 17's fans as a purple-clad P.S. 34 runner passed Ulysses with only 75 yards left. The sight of his rival in front of him shocked Ulysses to his greatest efforts. The purple uniform in front of him began slowly coming back toward him. He drove on blindly through a red mist. The roar of the crowd pounded against his ears. He couldn't see any more. Then suddenly the uniform in front of him was there no longer. His legs wobbled. He was too tired to lift them any more. The purple shirt was at his shoulder again. Mustering his last ounce of energy, he dove for the finish line. Then he backed out.

He didn't hear the great victory roar from the P.S. 17's crowd as he just nipped the P.S. 34's runner for third place. He didn't know that his relay teammates directed by Dick Fowler picked him up tenderly and carried him to the dressing room. But later as he sat with the gang in Pop's drug store having a big dish of ice cream, he heard Dick whisper to the boys:

"If anyone ever calls him 'Useless' again, they'll have to fight me first. Ulysses is a full-fledged member of the gang now. Understand!"

A PLACE TO SPEND THE WINTER

—Willy Has to Find One, 'Cause He's Sleepy—

By MAX TRELL

KNARE, the shadow-boy—with the turned—about name, found Willy Toad sitting under a tree, rubbing his eyes sleepily. The days had turned cold, for autumn was fast becoming winter. The sky was grey. The winds blew, sending the leaves dancing before them until they came to rest at last in the hollows at the foot of the hill.

"Ho-hum," said Willy, rubbing his eyes again and yawning.

"What's the matter?" said Knarf. "Are you sleepy, Willy?"

"Am I sleepy?" said Willy in surprise at this question. "I'm as wide awake as I can be. What makes you think I'm sleepy?"

"Your eyes are half-closed," said Knarf.

Willy Admits It

"Are they?" said Willy—and he did his best to open them.

"And you're yawning," Willy sighed. "Well, I suppose I might as well admit it. Yes, I'm sleepy. It always happens at this time of the year. As soon as it begins to get cold, I begin to get sleepy. It's a funny thing."

Willy yawned again, though he did his best not to.

"All summer long, Willy continued, "I keep awake with no trouble. I don't sleep at all—not all day and not all night. I might doze off for a few minutes now and then. But there's too much happening to waste time sleeping, I hop here, I hop there. I catch flies in the daytime and moths in the night."

"To tell you the truth," said Willy, "almost everybody I know stays awake day and night. The frogs do, the crickets do, most of the bugs do, the squirrels and chipmunks and rabbits do... we all do! But the minute it gets cold, we all get sleepy. Now why is that?"

No Homes to Live In

Knarf said he didn't know exactly, but he thought it might have something to do with the fact that winter was coming and Willy (and all his friends) had no homes to live in. "If you lived in a house and could keep warm, you wouldn't get sleepy, Willy. You pretty sure you wouldn't?"

"Maybe not," agreed Willy. "And it's a good thing you do get sleepy, when it gets cold."



As soon as it begins to get cold, Willy starts yawning.

crawl under it, Willy? It's as good as the roof of a house, maybe even better.

"I don't sound very comfortable," said Willy. "But thank you for mentioning it."

Good, Soft Mud

"Here comes a frog," said Knarf. "He ought to know a good place."

As soon as the frog came up, Willy asked him, "Well, now I always dig myself into some good soft mud. There's nothing like soft mud to keep you warm, Willy."

Willy didn't like the idea of mud, either.

Finally a cricket came along. "I know the best place of all for you, Willy."

"Where?"

"Do you see that big fallen log over near the foot of the hill? It's almost all covered over with dead leaves. Get under that log. Make yourself a little hole and curl up in it. By-and-by it will all be covered with the leaves."

"Just like a blanket, Willy," said Knarf. "The crickets are right. That's the best place for you to sleep through the winter."

So Willy, after rubbing his eyes and yawning several more times, decided to get himself off to sleep under the log where the wind was piling up the dead leaves. "I hate to do this," he said to Knarf. "I hate to be missing everything, even the snow and the ice. But I guess you're right. Ho-hum... see you in the spring!"

And he hopped off to make his bed.

Rupert and the Hazel Nut-3

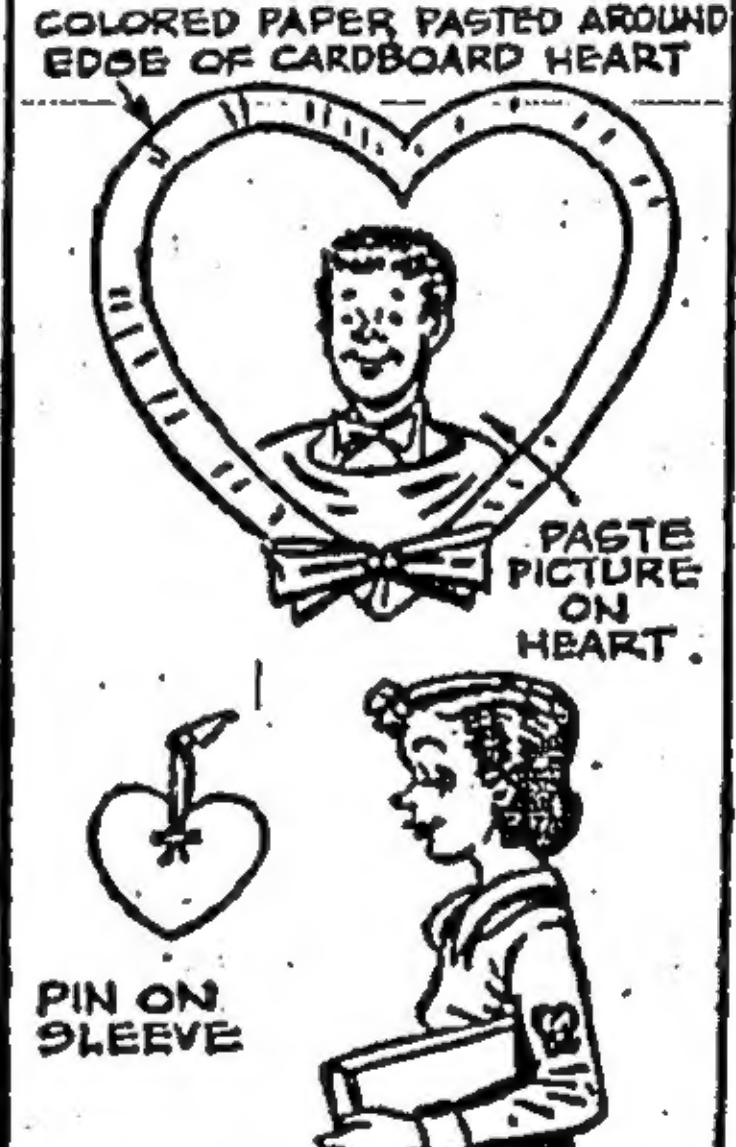


Rupert gasps at the object in his hand. "Why it's a hazel nut!" he says. "How did it get here? Nuts don't grow on apple trees. Perhaps somebody dropped it. But then can't be right. There's been nobody in the garden except Daddy and me."

Inside the cottage he shows it to Mrs. Beasley and she is as puzzled as he is. "I've no idea how it got there," she says. "But it's given me an idea. I should like to have some fresh hazel nuts. Will you go and see if there are any in the garden?"

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JACOB YON BRIDGE

Expert Uses Care
To Avert Pitfall

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN the annual National Bridge Championship begins in Miami at the end of this month, Joe Cohan, president of the Bridge League, will be on hand to welcome experts from all parts of the country. Joe will be a host in more ways than one because, although his home town is Wooster, Ohio, he spends about half of the year in Florida.

Besides being a good executive, the genial Irishman is also one of the top-ranking players in the country. Today's hand, played by Joe Cohan in a recent rubber-bridge game, shows him at his careful best.

West opened a low trump, and dummy won with the ten. Joe led another trump from dummy, and put up the ace of trumps from his own hand when East showed out.

The average player would probably switch to hearts at this point in the hope of discarding diamonds from the dummy. This plan would fail, since West would ruff the last heart with a low trump, forcing dummy to overruff.

Dummy would have to return a diamond, and West would be able to take the trick and lead out the king of spades to draw dummy's last trump. South showed out.

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WEST	EAST
K542	3
864	10932
AJ9	K1084
K97	J1042
SOUTH	(D)
AQ7	
AQ3	
Q73	
83	
North-South vul.	
South West North East	
1 Pass 2 Pass	
4 Pass 5 Pass	
Opening lead—4	

would wind up losing a trump and three diamonds.
Cohan saw this danger and therefore took the club finesse at the third trick. This finesse had to be risked sooner or later, no matter how the hand was played, and the immediate finesse was necessary for other reasons.

When the queen of clubs held the third trick, declarer cashed the ace of clubs, and ruffed a club in his own hand. Only now was it proper to begin on the hearts.
When the fourth heart was led, West found himself unable to defeat the contract. If he ruffed low, dummy would overruff, and South would then ruff out dummy's last club. If West ruffed the last heart with his king, dummy would discard. Either way, declarer was sure of ten tricks.

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1 Heart Pass 1 Spade Pass
2
You South, hold: Spades K-8-4, Hearts A-3-10-5, Diamonds K-Q-7-2, Clubs 4-2. What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. This simple raise still indicates a minimum opening bid, but indicates also that some of your strength is in your partner's suit. It would be foolish to bid one no-trump when you have a weak doubleton in clubs and fairly good support for partner's spades.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-K-J-2, Clubs 7-4-3. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

White, 8 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. K1-K5, any; 2. Q, B, or K1 mates.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY BY STELLA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

BORN today, you have an amiable disposition. You are seldom, if ever, disturbed by anything that happens. In fact, you are just the type that others usually call upon in an emergency. For your decisions will be wise and your advice excellent. Warm-hearted and generous, you react to your surroundings. If they are harmonious, so are you. If they are unpleasant, you make quick plans to get out and away! For you dislike confusion and incompatibility above everything else. Rather than face a fracas, you will sit back and await for things to calm down, unless you are definitely brought in by another. Then, when you are, you act with decision and initiative.

The stars have given you many talents and it is perhaps this profusion of gifts which will make it difficult for you to settle down to any one profession early in life. You are capable of doing any number of things well and are highly adaptable when you want to be. When you don't want to adapt, you step aside! This is a characteristic which you must get in hand if you are ever to measure up to your highest potentialities for success. Taking the easy way just to avoid trouble never gets anyone very far. You have to get out and fight your way to the top in a highly competitive world.

In youth, you have a rather fickle nature when it comes to love and romance. You will probably have more than one chance to wed and have quite a time making up your mind with which person you should share your life. But once you have decided, your loyalties are for life.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—You may need to do a little extra work today if you are caught up on a schedule which is somewhat behind.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—This may be one of those days when it is better to put on your diplomacy to keep everything moving smoothly.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Don't take home that big case, full of work! Much better for you to relax with your family this week-end.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—You may be faced with a minor crisis today, but if you are prepared to meet it, you can make a quick decision.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—This is the time to put on your thinking cap and make good use of it! Baffle a serious problem.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—Indulge in a hobby which you can't be careless with your valuable. You might tempt some-

one! Caution means you won't sustain any losses.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—Other people may seem a little odd—pay no attention. Do your job and let them be diverted from your objective.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—Seek the companionship of a congenial friend and your relaxation can be complete.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Don't neglect minor matters which seem so unimportant now. They can prove really vital a little later on.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—An important letter may need your careful attention. Don't miss a place or a date or a time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Don't forget Valentine's Day! Remember someone that you love very much, indeed. Lifting him.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Indulge in a hobby which can bring you relaxation now and perhaps real profit later on.

BORN today, you are an independent soul, carefree and gay about everything you do. You want things to go your way—and you are going to have them that way—or not at all! But you have a magnetic personality and you seem to be able to influence people and projects without really wanting to. A suggestion from you is just what is needed to get everyone thinking along the lines you intend! But make sure that this ability is always used wisely and you can become a real, lasting influence for good. Hold your ideal high.

You will probably be happiest if you live in the country for you are fond of outdoor life and find that urban living becomes restricting. At least, if you must work in the city, try to live in the suburbs and plan to get into your summer vacation home as soon as you can. There is a real vitalizing process which goes on when you are near Mother Nature and you work better for it. You are not as strong, physically, as you like to believe and a quiet life is much better for you. Your one which is continually building up tensions.

You have one of those progressive minds which is likely to be ahead of your own times. In the arts and the professions, you are apt to be ahead of your own times. Consistency, Conservatism, and Tradition are not disappointed if full recognition does not come immediately. In fact, your greatest fame might even come after your own lifetime.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If you have been neglecting your home duties, today is the day to make up for lost time. Get a lot done.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you take a special fact to keep from being too extravagant. Never show envy, even if you are a little envious.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—A quiet day at home, after attending the church of your choice, can bring needed relaxation now.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Investigate all angles of any matter which may be offered you today. Then, make up your mind.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You may need to relax a little. A change of environment will do the trick.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—If you decide to ask a favor now, be prepared to repay it in kind, at a later date.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—This might be a good day to catch up on your duties and ends that have been accumulating all day.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—If you are asked to contribute to some community project, you would be giving all that you can at this time.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Devotional duties will bring spiritual uplift and quiet relaxation. Physical revitalization.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—Don't plan too much for today. You need some good rest and quiet relaxing of neighboring tensions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—You may need to relax a little. A change of environment will do the trick.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Don't let yourself be disturbed by anything today. Stay calm and make the most of things.

BORN today, you are an individualist and like to do things in your own way. You just will not let anyone else tell you how to do things and this causes other, seemingly more energetic people, to think that you are lackadaisical, if not actually lazy. Actually, however, this is far from the case. For, once you have become interested in something, you will work very hard, indeed, to make of it a real and lasting success. However, everything you do must have a cultural or intellectual slant or you will become too easily bored. You are not one to enjoy routine desk work and should not try to do it.

Music, the arts, science and invention are all things which appeal to you. Since you also have an almost legitimate turn of mind, you may make a fine practicing attorney. But your methods would never follow the usual routine. For instance, you would not take a case unless you were sure you could win it. You are not one to take anything on face value, either, and there must be absolute proof before you will believe. Although you may appear to agree with others for the sake of harmony, you will withhold actual judgment until you are sure.

There is, withal, a gay side to your nature. You of the fair sex are fond of color and gay clothes and gay color and you take this out in your sports-wear. For you also like bright colors!

You have a great deal of nervous energy and sometimes you go beyond your strength without getting proper rest. Make sure that you rest a lot more often, and that, more efficiently.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Attend to important matters at once. Don't put them off until later. If you are now, it will be appreciated.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Be careful of your pocketbook! Carelessness can cause a serious loss.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—If you are asked to assist in some community program for neighborhood betterment, contribute generously.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Don't ask for advice from an expert if you are starting a new job and don't know exactly how to do it.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—A little praise where it is really deserved can prove most welcome and encourage continued efforts.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—If you do make a careless mistake today, accept correction humbly and promise to do better!

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—Give encouragement and advice to someone who can benefit from it. Right now, it will be appreciated.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—Perhaps you can play cupid and be careful of your pocketbook for someone. Give good advice.

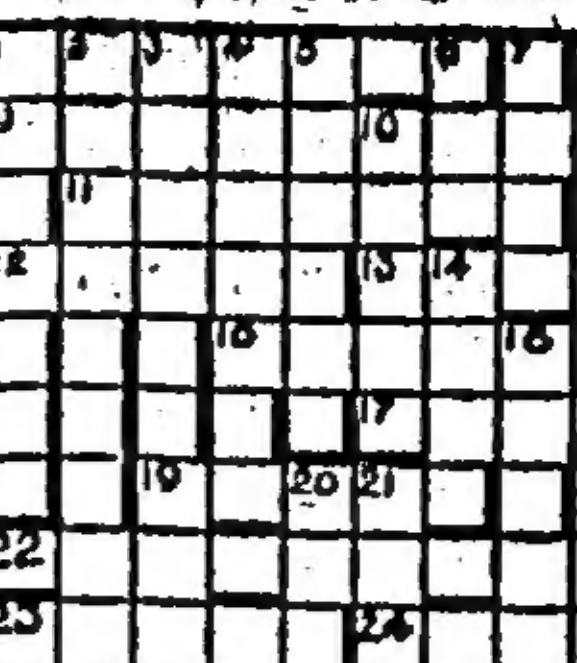
LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Don't permit yourself to get involved in a misunderstanding. It can bring trouble in the future. Be explicit!

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—A present, given as a surprise, could bring especial pleasure to someone you love a great deal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Don't get involved in any new proposition until you have examined all details and received expert advice.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Don't overload yourself today. Do as much as you can, efficiently, and postpone the rest until later.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. One hundred and fifty, morning before our ending—come, my collector making big head, (15)
12. Spirit, mostly shot, (9)
13. In a face an ending—place, (6)
14. Two can suggest a third, (6)
15. Watery part of a grill, (4)
16. No, indeed do you make, this wanderer, or do they? (3)
17. Usually enveloped, (9)
18. The go-between, (4)
24. Step back little deer, (4)

Down

1. Back of the neck hair roll, (7)
2. A famous skier, (5)
3. All can owe discount, (9)
4. The same old, water? (7)
5. He may speak of alterations to a bill, (6) each of eggs, (3)
6. Pure from the sea shore? (4)
7. Shivering like an enigma, (6)
8. Fitting on oneself, (5)
9. Sour way I break this cad, (4)
10. He is a lot of course, (6)
11. The tale of falsehood, (9)
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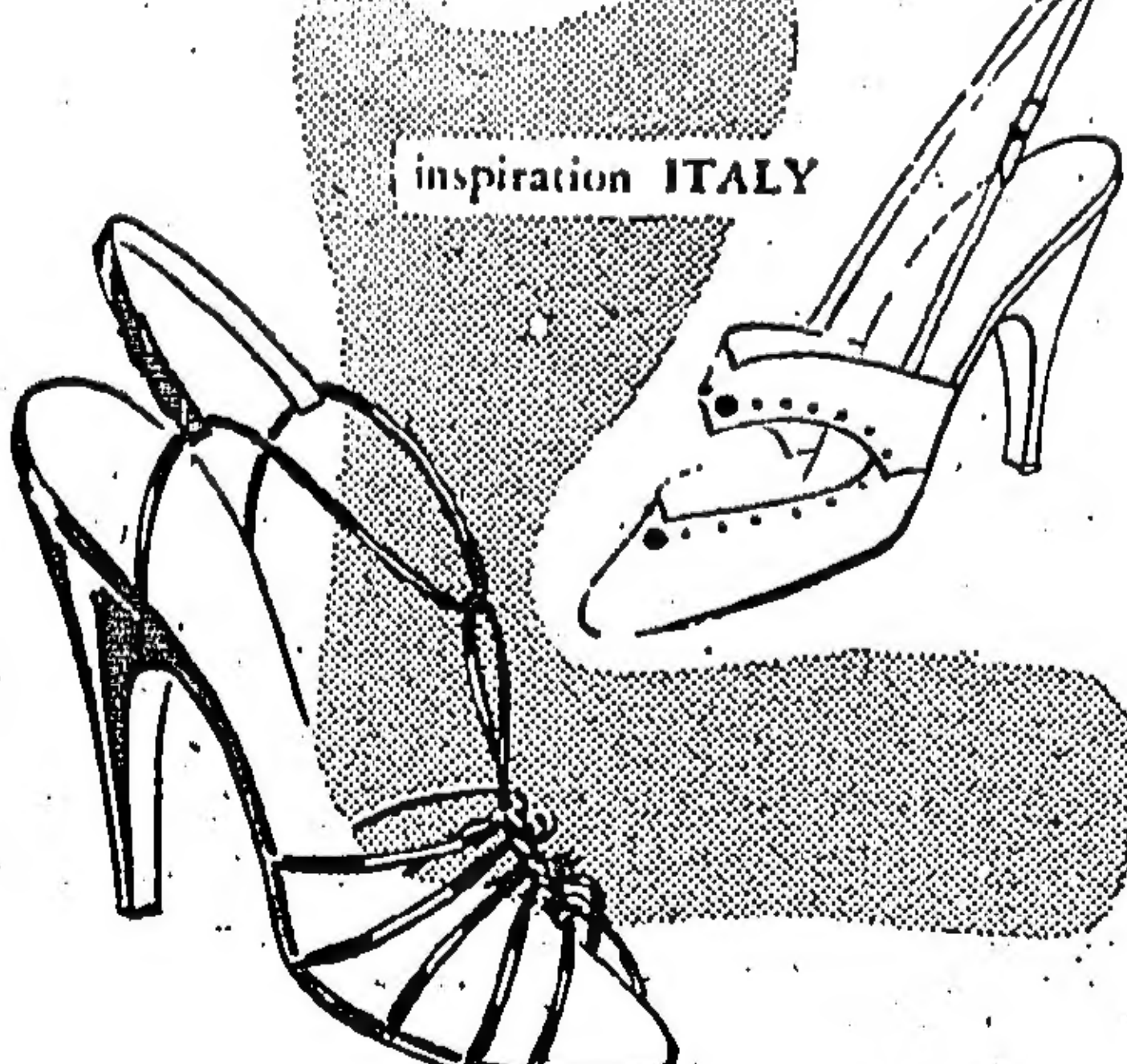
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The Girl With A Till

SHE was sitting when I saw her first, in the cheerless ante-chamber to the Tower Bridge court. Her eyes were downcast. She seemed to be studying the worn mosaic floor, intent as a student looking at Roman remains, upon unravelling the mystery of the letters MP which here and there embraced each other as a monogram in the floor's pattern. The letters stood for Metropolitan Police, but I did not like to interrupt the girl's reverie to tell her so.

She was a very beautiful girl, possessed of that kind of beauty which, if one small feature or another had been in the least exaggerated or under-emphasized would have made her ludicrously plain. A millimetre added to the nose, the tenth of a degree subtracted from the angle at which her eyes were set, would totally have ruined her looks. Had her hair been a shade blonder, her eyes a paler blue, she would just have been one of the crowd.

AROUND the girl there was a fair amount of bustle in the dreary hall. A solicitor urgently coached his witnesses in their evidence, the public gallery, awaiting admission to the court, mercifully held post-mortems on recent cases they had heard. A tall policeman strode across the floor, wearing an enigmatic expression, carrying an empty, lidless kettle, leaving you wondering whether he was preparing for eleven or involved in solving some crime involving the kettle.

(The girl saw none of these. She stared at the floor. And when the rest of us were admitted into the courtroom she stared where she was, solitary, staring. I thought she must be there to plead for a father gone astray, or a young brother.)

THE morning's business of the court went on, and one or two defendants called the magistrate, Miss Sybil Campbell. "Sir," and then the gavel called out the name Patricia, adding a surname.

At first, there seemed to be no answer; then, through the door from the waiting-room, and into the dock, there stepped the pretty, fair-haired girl.

A week before, it appeared, she had pleaded guilty to stealing £4 from the shop in South London where she worked. At most accidental stealing, it was, Patricia had been in charge of a till in the shop, and always and forever it seemed to her, the figures her till showed failed to agree. At last she realized the till had beaten her. She resigned from her job and signed on with the women's forces.

WHILE she was still waiting to put on uniform, Patricia received from the manager of the shop where she worked a friendly letter asking her to see him. The figures in the cash

AUSTRIANS WILL DEMONSTRATE THE "VIENNA GAME"

By "ARGONAUT"

The Chinese New Year holidays which start tomorrow will again be celebrated by Hongkong's sports world with a number of major sports activities headed by three international events in the field of soccer, tennis and hockey.

Soccer will see Hongkong break further ground into the international field when for the first time in history a team from Austria, the Linzer Athletik Sport Klub, will be our guests for a series of three matches.

Although LASK, by which name the visitors are commonly known, are ranked sixth in the Austrian amateur club standings, they have already piled up an impressive record on this tour, winning all their matches.

One special feature of the series will be a demonstration of the "Vienna school" of soccer by the visitors who, despite reports that Austrian international teams are reverting to the third back style under the influence of British coaches, still retain the roving centre-half method of play.

This type of play has been exploited with great success by the Austrians since the early thirties, and the "Vienna school" has been one of the standard watchwords in soccer just as the "Vienna system" in bridge is.

It not only involves a forward centre-half, and an attacking half-line that reinforces the forward line, but also a pair of retreating inside-forwards when on the defensive.

The merits and demerits of such a style of play are still today a controversial subject, but there is no doubt that it will produce an aggressive brand of soccer in which the number of goals scored and conceded will be on the average greater than in ordinary matches.

It should therefore be more interesting from the point of view of spectators, whose current clamour for bright soccer should find adequate response.

To Hongkong and, in general, all Asiatic footballers this type of play will provide some food for thought, in view of the fact that it offsets to a very great extent the handicap of height and stature called for in a third-back type of play.

It is well-suited to Asiatics on account of their greater fleetness of feet, and quicker turn of speed, which are two prime requisites for the success of the "Vienna School" of play. In addition, those of fast covering by halves and inside-forwards when on the defensive and ability to keep control of the ball with short ground passes when on the attack.

It is extremely dangerous to lose the ball during an attack when the defence will be most vulnerable to a direct fast move along the middle.

Hongkong has selected the same interport team that beat Singapore in the Aw Hoo Cup for the first match against the visitors on Saturday and as strong a Hongkong Selection XI for Monday, which will see the return of Ko Po-keung and Yiu Cheuk-yin.

The most formidable opposition to the visitors will come from the Combined Chinese XI, who will have their strongest team out for the third and final match on Tuesday.

The Hongkong teams should be able to give a good account of themselves if they make full use of the scoring chances that come their way, adopt direct tactics in offence and pack the goalmouth as much as possible in defence.

TENNIS
The Chinese New Year tennis attraction will be provided by the two exhibition matches on Monday and Tuesday between Colony players, British cham-

ions Mr and Mrs Tony Moltram and Brazilian Champion Armando Vieira.

Main event of the first day's four-match programme at the Chinese Recreation Club, starting at 3.15 on Monday, is the singles match between Moltram and Colony Champion Ip Koon-hung.

Ip is considered by a number of observers as capable of beating any British amateur player today except Moltram and the match between the two is expected to be a close one.



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Ordinary Yearly General
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NOTICE IS HEREBY
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the Shareholders of the
Corporation will be held at
the Head Office of the Corporation,
1 Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong, on Friday the
27th day of February, 1953,
at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose
of receiving and considering
the reports of the Directors
and of the Auditors and the
Profit and Loss Account and
Balance Sheet for the year
ended 31st December, 1952,
and for the election of Directors
and the appointment of
Auditors.

The Register of Shares of
the Corporation will be closed
from Friday, the 13th of
February to Friday, the 27th
of February, 1953, (both days
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By Order of the Board,
A. MORSE,
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Hongkong, 13th Jan., 1953.

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11 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving and considering the
Reports of the Directors and
of the Auditors and the Profit
and Loss Account for the year
ended 31st December, 1952,
and the Balance Sheet as at
that date and for the election
of Directors and the appointment
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The Register of Transfers
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24 (1) of the Probate and Ad-
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of the Revised Edition 1952), made an
Order limiting the time for creditors
and others to send in their claims
against the above estate to the 30th
day of March 1953.

All creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to send
their claims to the undersigned on
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Dated the 8th day of February 1953.

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